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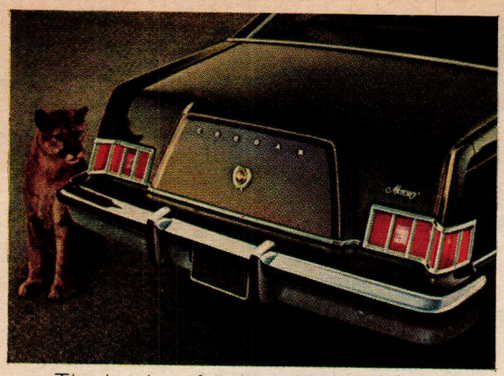

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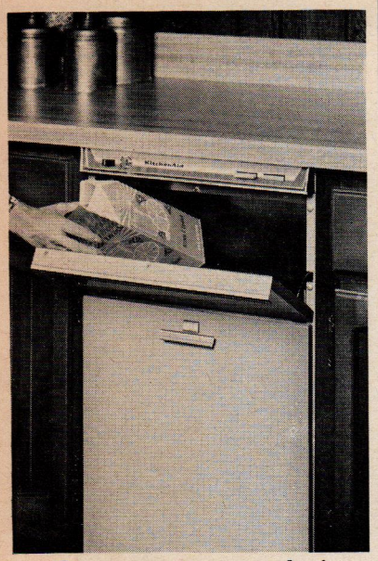

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ON THE COVER: We call it The New Informality—a freed-up, feet-up feeling, a look to the light, fresh openness of the country—even in a city living room like Mr. and Mrs. Howard R. Schuster's. How do you decorate for the new informality? Designer Robert Perkins did it with clean white walls, wicker furniture, pale fresh colors, a single fabric: cotton and polyester sailcloth designed by Vera with peach trees from some fantasy orchard. And Sam the cat approves. Fabric from F. Schumacher's Vera Collection, here treated with Scotchgard. Fabric, sofa and rosewood table at Lord & Taylor. Wicker chairs from Walter's Wicker; curtains custom made by Alexander. On the mantel, green Chinese vases from H.J. Kratzer. Above them, Karl Springer's whalebone quill mirror. Painting by Walter Darby Bannard from the Tibor de Nagy Gallery. Cotton dhurrie rug from Stark Carpet. More ideas for The New Informality begin on page 126. For shopping information, please turn to page 193.

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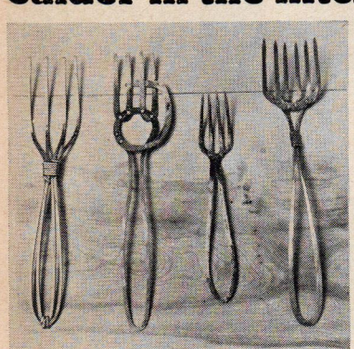
Flowers: single blessedness

HOW TO

A single, perfect blossom standing on its own in a crystal bud vase can be as imaginative and visually compelling as the large, formal flower arrangements usually used as a centerpiece for a holiday table. Single flowers can be set at each person's place at the table, or lined up along a fireplace mantel. The kind of flower, its color, height, shape, and the combinations you dream up can be whimsical or fantastic, depending on your mood. The "single flower arrangement" is a specialty of Brazilian-born flower designer Ronaldo Maia. He chose a large, white peppermint-pink-spotted *speciosum lily* to illustrate his point. He then added, on a basket, a white daisy, a peach-colored gerbera, a single blue delphinium, and a tawny-orange tiger lily in the bud stage, each in its own water-filled vase of a different neck length. Blossoms with bottles, from $8; in sets of four, from $15. Ronaldo Maia Flowers, 27 East 67th St., New York, N.Y. 10021.

Single flower cluster: daisy, gerbera, delphinium, tiger lily; speciosum lily, above.

Calder in the kitchen

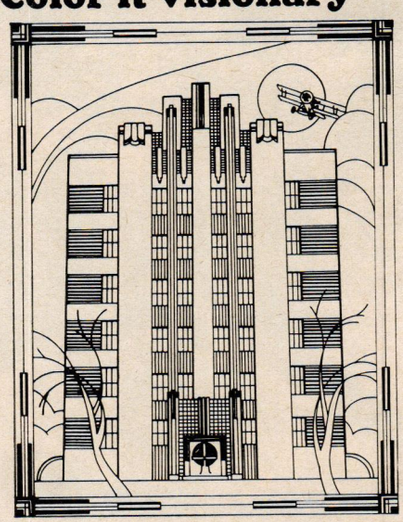


PEDRO GUERRERO

There's a system of string pulleys at Alexander Calder's bedside that lets him start the morning coffee without moving. The Whitney Museum of American Art's major retrospective, *Calder's Universe,* which opened October 14, is filled with ingenious devices the artist created for the house—from spring-bottomed wire holders for handleless coffee cups to hand-shaped bathroom tissue holders. He has often made things by hand that improve on and replace the original—kitchen utensils, roasting pans, lampshades, strainers, door hinges, and serving forks of silver wire.

Of course, the show will have Calder's mobiles, stabiles, wire circus toys, gouaches, paintings, rug and tapestry designs. It travels to Atlanta, Minneapolis, and Dallas through October 1977.

Color it visionary



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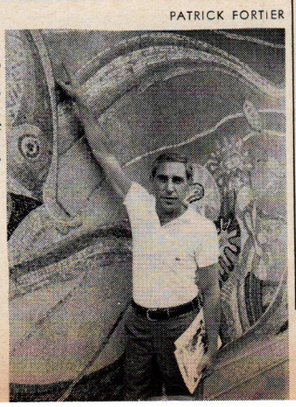
Façade from Art Deco book, above; *Rippner in front of mosaics.*



Writer, director, and producer Bill Rippner has masterminded two coloring books devoted to the premise that what you paint, crayon, or pencil inside the thin black line you'll remember. First was *The New York Times Manhattan Coloring Book,* with text by *New York Times* architecture critic Paul Goldberger; drawings by David Edward Byrd. Rippner's second book, the *Bronx Art Deco Coloring Book,* done in collaboration with Hunter College's director of the Graduate Program in Urban Planning, Donald Sullivan, depicts the fabulous Art Deco architecture of the West Bronx. The miles-long Grand Concourse is a gallery of façades, mosaics, and interiors rich with the American expression of Deco. Plans are to distribute the book throughout the West Bronx public school system as early as this winter. Since Deco's roots grow from Aztec and Egyptian design, there is an important link for black and Hispanic children.

Rippner hopes to teach children how to see their environment, one of the city's most economically depressed areas, with the pride and awareness of self-discovery.

Getting together for wildlife

The Fourth International Congress of the World Wildlife Fund opens November 28 in San Francisco, the first time the prestigious organization has met in America. The theme: "The Fragile Earth: Toward Strategies for Survival." Six seminars are planned, from natural resources and population growth to wealth from waste. A festival of wildlife films from TV's *World of Survival* and a concert by the Paul Winter Consort are on the schedule too. Anyone can attend. Registration is $100 per person. Registered participants can fly and stay in San Francisco at specially reduced fares and rates of accommodation. Write World Wildlife Fund–U.S., 1319 18th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

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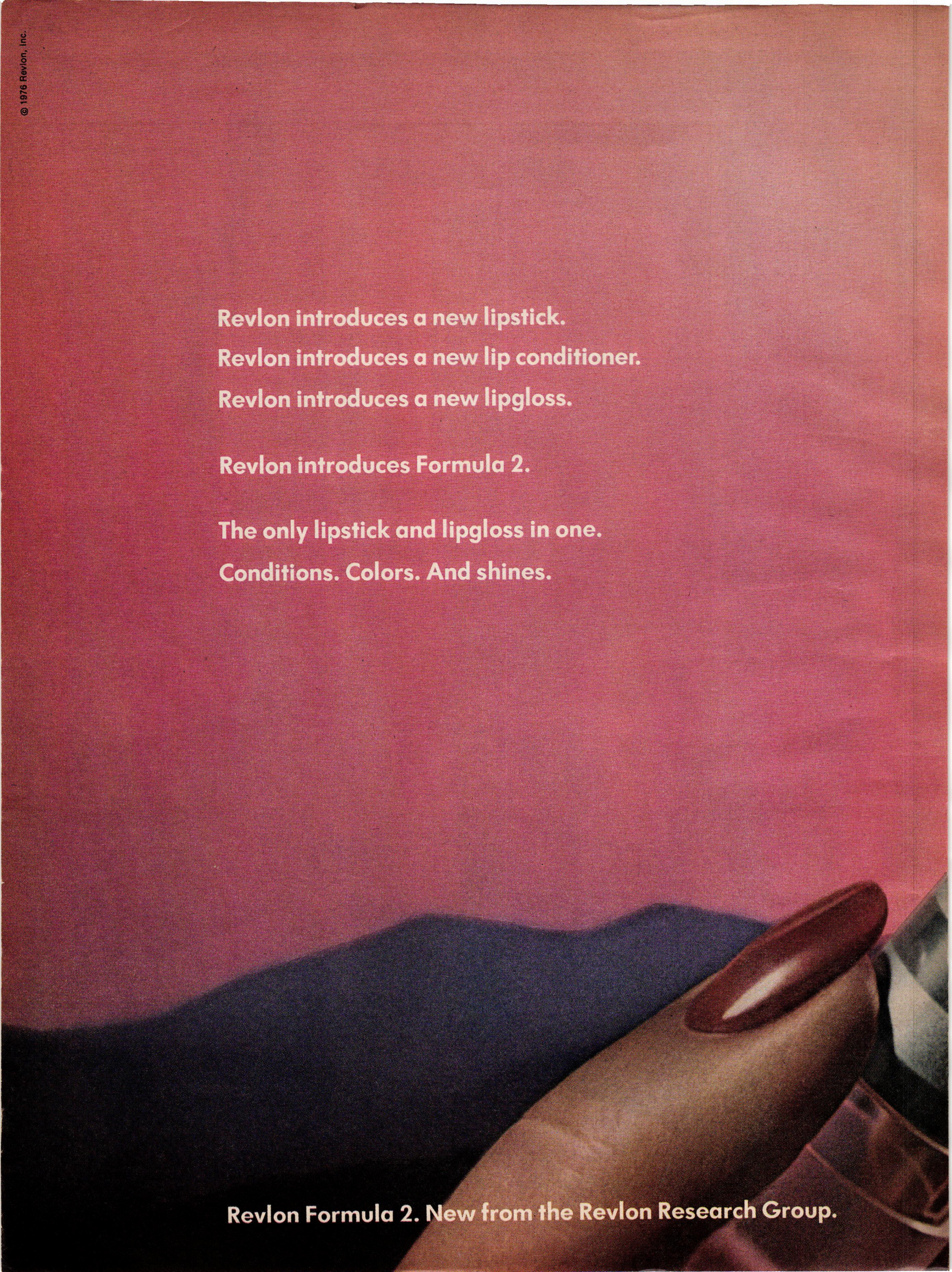

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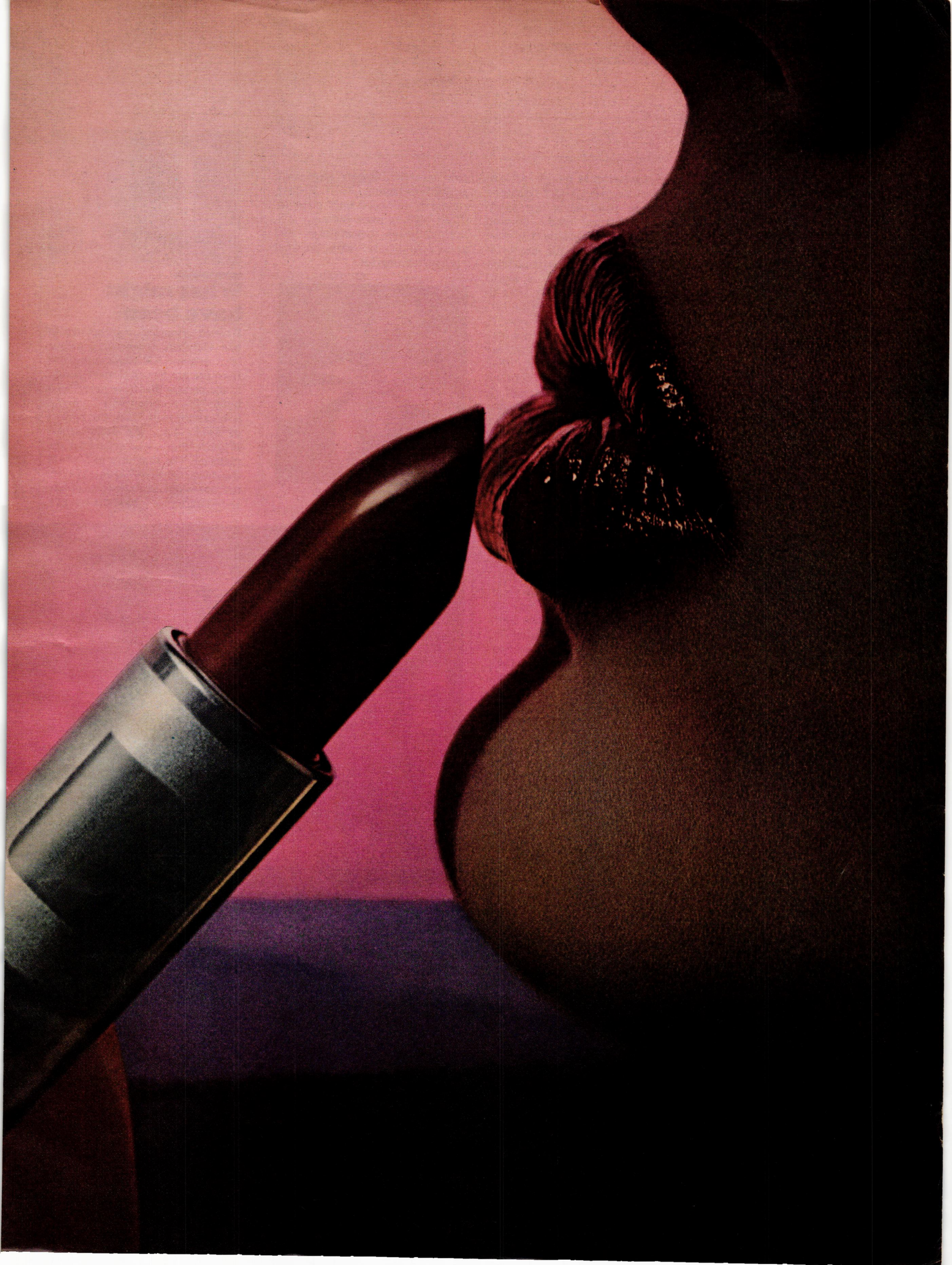

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GARDEN ART

Striped bloomers

If *Streptocarpus* sounds to you like something one should see a throat specialist about, you have a pleasant surprise coming. It's one of the most delightful of houseplants, a member of the easy-to-grow gesneriad family, which includes the common African violet. It's also called Cape primrose, after the Cape of Good Hope where it originates. Most spectacular in the genus *Streptocarpus* is *S. grandis*. From an almost microscopic seed it grows in 18 months or so to a 3-foot-long leaf. That's right, one leaf. The plant never has more. Even the flower stalks develop from the leaf's midrib. Unfortunately, *S. grandis* is the one member of this species that is difficult to grow except inside a greenhouse, so you'll probably have to wait until you visit a botanical garden before you can see one. *S. rexii*, on the other hand, is not only an easy indoor grower, but an easy bloomer as well. My hybrid, "Blue Nymph," has flowered continuously for a year and a half. It should have a rest, but nc matter how hard I try, I can't convince it to stop flowering for a whi!e. The foliage consists of luxurious, foot-long, velvety leaves growing out of a central rosette. Needle-thin stems bear a profusion of deep-throated pale lavender flowers lined with purple pinstriping. Most *Streptocarpus* plants need only good indirect light, a loose humus-y soil, normal house temperatures, and good humidity to thrive. So what are you waiting for?

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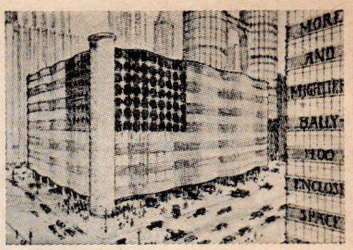
Nonstop flowering Cape primrose



What might have been

Unbuilt America, coming out in late October, is an adventurous book of some 300 building projects from the pre-Revolutionary period to the present that have never been built. "It's a collection of innovative experiments," say the editors of SITE, Inc., the architectural *Wunderkinder* who organized the material. The drawings in *Unbuilt America* (McGraw-Hill, $14.95) are marvelous, in some cases downright hilarious. PAMELA HELLER

JAN FAUL

His nibs

Stanton Mitrany believes he is the first quill-pen merchant in history. He happened into his trade when he bought a penknife in a London antiques shop, then taught himself to use it. As it happens, our ancestors readied their own supplies with a special cutting tool, but after the steel-tipped pen was introduced about 115 years ago, the quill-pen was abandoned. "Making a quill-pen was like tying your shoelaces. Everyone knew how to do it, so no one wrote down how it was done," says Mr. Mitrany. It took him 3 years of research to perfect a 26-step hand-manufacturing process that allows him to make 3,000 quill-pens a week. He uses only goose quills, which are cut, abraded, and polished to produce a nib. A slit 2/10,000-of-an-inch wide is made in the tip to hold a single drop of sepia-colored ink. You can write up to 50 words without a refill! The pens produce a lovely semi-italic script and Mitrany promises that no two quills "paint" in quite the same way. Each quill costs $2.50; six quills, $10; quill-pens require water-soluble ink, 2 ounces, 75¢. Write Classica Concepts, Box 208, Cathedral Station, New York, N.Y. 10025. ROBERTA FAUL

Original expedition to Tut's tomb; right, *inlaid mummy mask*

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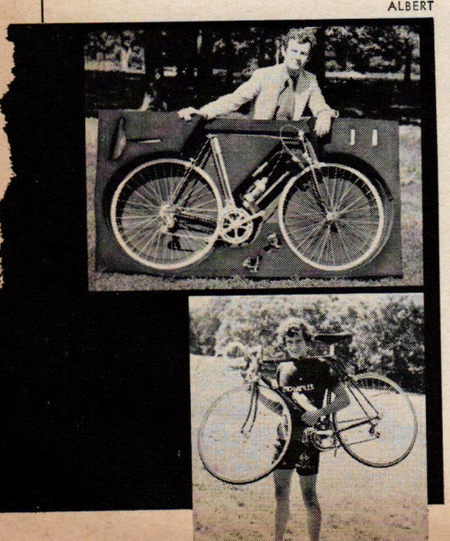

Rememberwhen a bike cost $30?

The ultimate bicycle is here, if you're looking for a lavish present for your favorite cyclist. $1,250 buys the Austro-Daimler super bike, recently arrived from Europe —it's the Rolls-Royce of bikes. A mere slip of a thing, it weighs only 19 pounds and comes in a royal red, foam-lined box. Steve Pyle, U.S. junior champion cyclist destined for the next Olympics in Moscow, rides this model, loves its severe geometry and "sensitive handling." Top speed, says Pyle, depends on the event, "about 40 mph on a short trip."

Tutankhamen on tour

Egypt's King Tutankhamen is probably the best known of the pharaohs because of the richness of the jewelry, furniture, and sculpture discovered in his tomb in the 1920s. Fifty treasures from the tomb begin a six-city U.S. tour in Washington, D.C., November 17. After a stay of about 4 months, Tutankhamen's treasures will go to Chicago, New Orleans, Los Angeles, Seattle, and end up in New York—a 2-year tour.

A king's ransom of Tut reproductions—in gold, silver, bronze, cloisonné, and semiprecious stones —will accompany the tour and can be bought in the museums. Artist-craftsmen working for New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art traveled to Cairo to research their line-for-line copies. Among the reproductions: small versions of Tut's gold- and gem-inlaid mummy mask; a solid gold statue mounted on lapis lazuli, taken from the top of Tut's walking stick; a scarab fashioned as the lid of a sterling silver box. There's a cache of jewelry, too, including the chest-covering necklaces called "pectorals." Prices range from $20 to $1,000. The proceeds of the shop sales go to the Cairo Museum for construction of a new building.

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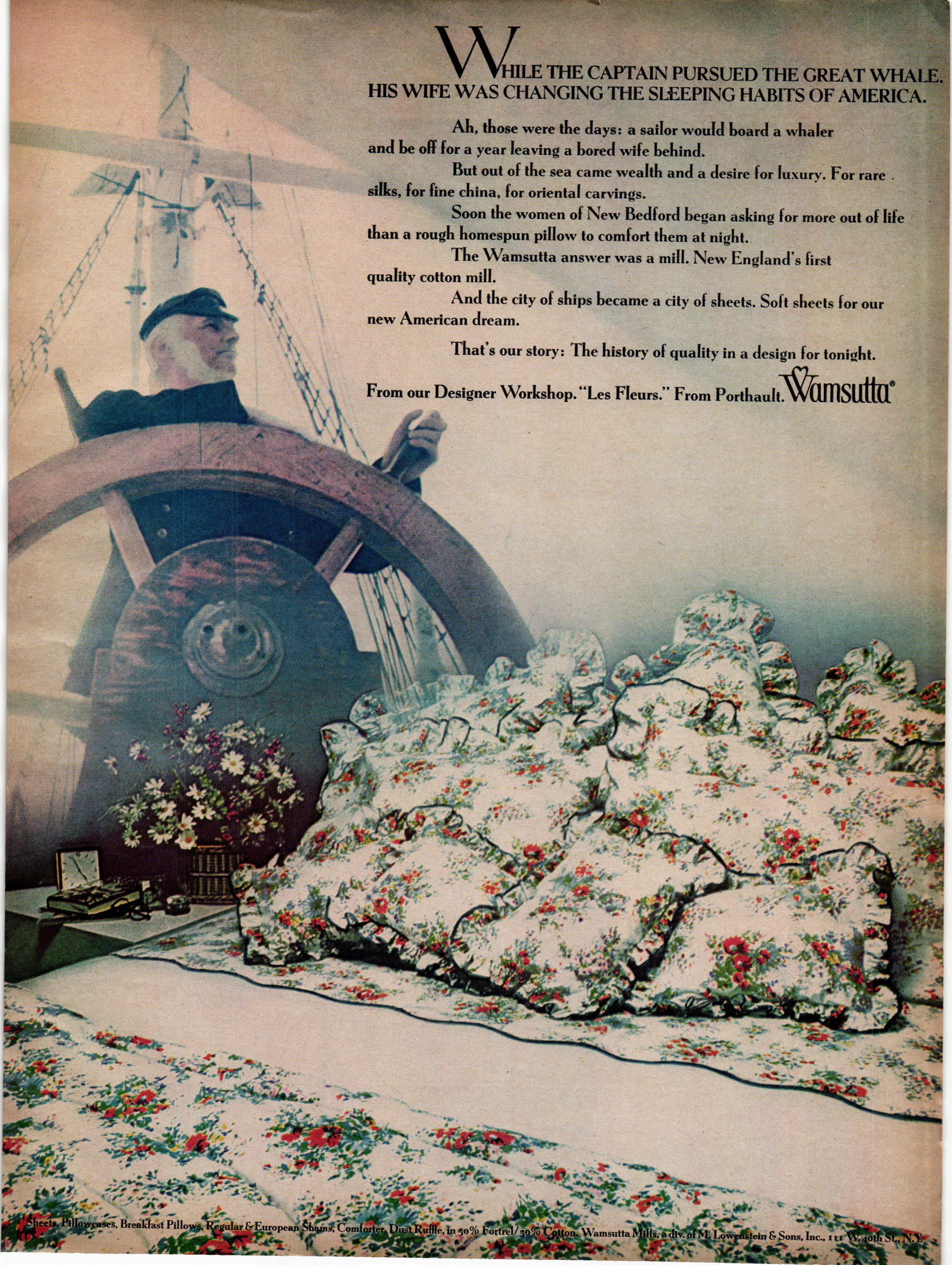

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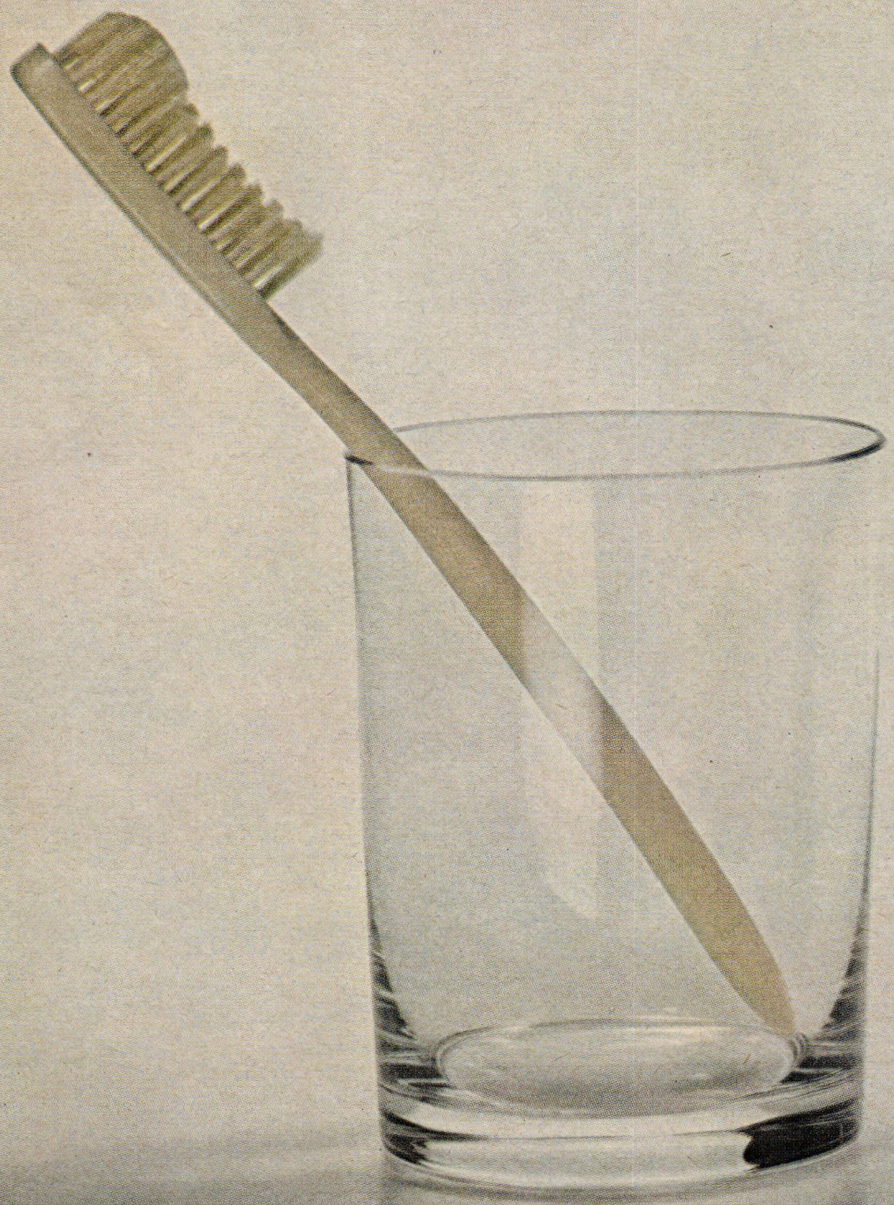

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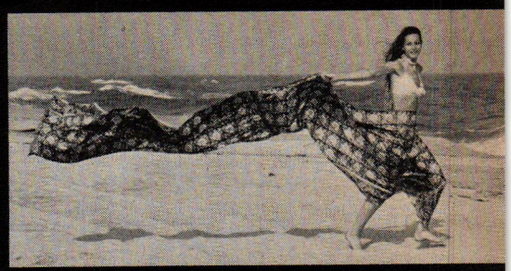

A dyeing art

Tie-dyeing blue jeans and T-shirts stopped just short of being a national passion.

Three forms of "resist" dyeing—ikat, batik, and plangi—are part of an exhibit that opened October 13 at the Museum of Contemporary Crafts of the American Crafts Council in New York. More than half the pieces shown come from the fabulous private collection of dyed clothes of designer and master weaver Jack Lenor Larsen.

The museum exhibit, the first of its kind, runs until January 2 and then begins a national tour. It includes more than 100 examples of "resists," some pre-Christian, that represent every continent. For a look at one of Larsen's magnificent plangi tablecloths, please turn to page 132.

The three resist dyeing forms are also the subject of Larsen's new book, *The Dyer's Art: Ikat, Batik, and Plangi* (Van Nostrand Reinhold), to be published early in January.

Hollywood dress-ups

They really are "such stuff as dreams are made on"—those glamorous, glittery, romantic costumes of the Hollywood movies. Catching a uniquely American phenomenon brilliantly, *Hollywood Costume* (Abrams, $35), is a sumptuous new book put together by Diana Vreeland and Dale McConathy, with photographs by Keith Trumbo, based on an exhibit Mrs. Vreeland staged for the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. Attendance was record breaking. Starting with the earliest silent film stars—Valentino, Theda Bara, Pola Negri—to Marilyn Monroe's famous nude-top dress in *Some Like It Hot*, the book documents the roller-coaster trends and lavish styles churned out by America's "Dream Capitol."

Gloria Swanson in "Sunset Boulevard," top; Bette Davis in "Jezebel"; Hayworth

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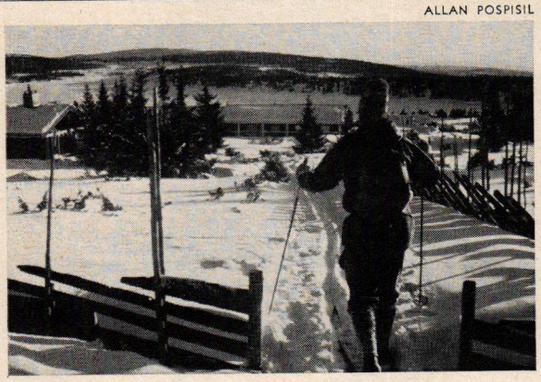

Have skis, will travel

Downhill skiers know where to go—Chamonix, St. Moritz, Zermatt, St. Anton, Aspen. But if you're a crosscountry skier (as more and more of us are these days), where do *you* go for some of the world's best? Norway, of course. You can ski anywhere in Norway, but the first choice of many Norwegians is the resort complex around Lillehammer, and particularly the rolling upland plains of nearby Nordseter. It's fine ski-touring terrain, developed to offer some 400 miles of trails. Lillehammer, less than three hours by train from Oslo, is a city of 20,000. Nordseter consists of a half-dozen hotels and hundreds of vacation cabins less than 10 miles from Lillehammer, but 2,000 feet higher. Enthusiasts tour the wooded hills, then ski back down city streets to town. They prop their skis against restaurant doorways and stop in for hot chocolate and pastry. At Nordseter, the skiing stars just outside any hotel door. Trails dip into spruce forest, cross plateaus and frozen lakes. Top Lillehammer hotels are the Kronen and Victoria. In Nordseter, the Nevra and Nordseter Høyfjellshotel. SAS offers a night in Oslo, six in Lillehammer at $149 plus air fare.

Scandinavian apres ski

Horse-drawn sleigh rides by moonlight, with robes and aquavit (the Scandinavian version of white lightning) for warmth *** Hotel dancing, in Lillehammer every night but Sunday, weekends in Nordseter *** The 26 timbered buildings of Lillehammer's Maihaugen outdoor museum (open all year), including a 900-year-old stave church *** *Sparkstotting*—sleds with long runners and handlebars, propelled by foot power; women use them for shopping trips *** Lingonberry shortcake at the Kronen cafeteria in Lillehammer *** Lunch at any hotel, a groaning cold table with no end to the pickled, salted, and smoked delicacies.

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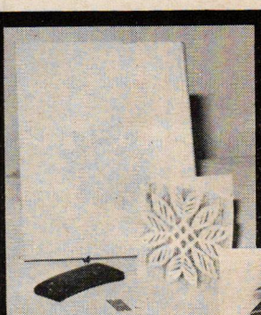
HOW TO

There's the rub

What *is* that person doing on his hands and knees in the middle of the street, rubbing away like mad? Making a rubbing, of course—of a manhole cover, a basement grate, or just some interesting pattern that caught his eye. Wax rubbing is a simpler, cleaner way to transfer patterns to paper. Doing a wax rubbing involves much the same method as brass rubbing and graphite rubbing—both popular here and in Europe.

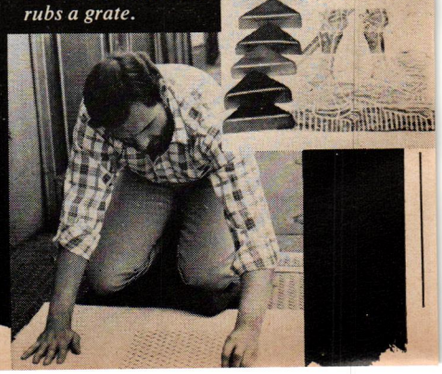
The Pilgrim's Progress, a New York store specializing in American folk art and crafts, is one of the very few outlets for materials and information on the craft of wax rubbing. Heelball waxes are simple to use, almost completely smudge-proof, and come in twelve colors. And paper? Almost anything that can take a print can take a rubbing: tracing paper, Kraft paper, gift-wrapping tissue, or rice paper. To give paper a tint you can even watercolor it. The wax won't disturb the color underneath. Subject matter is endless: leaves, ferns, gravestones, metal doors, hubcaps, anything in relief.

You can use rubbings to make holiday cards, stationery, gift wrap, standing screens, or even wallpaper. The Pilgrim's Progress sells a rubbing kit with four colored waxes, six sheets of fiber paper, and a large black coloring stick, $13 ppd. Order the other seven colors as you need them. The Pilgrim's Progress, 363 Bleecker St., New York, N.Y. 10014.



Holiday card from an incised pattern on a book cover; below, colored waxes.

Pilgrim's Progress's Phil Balestrino rubs a grate.



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HEALTH

Look what it did for Secretariat

Presidents Ford and Nixon took 20 cases of it with them to Moscow and Peking. Secretariat drinks it by the gallon. What? Mountain Valley bottled water. The American Bottled Water Association says one out of every 2,000 Americans drinks it—a figure that has doubled in less than 10 years. John Scott, president of the country's only bottled water company to distribute nationally, Mountain Valley, is also the importer of twelve major European brands of water—including Evian, Vichy, Perrier, and Apollinaris. "Right now," he says, "Americans are buying bottled water for its taste. Taste comes from two important minerals, calcium and magnesium, in varying amounts. For adults who seldom drink milk, it's an excellent way to replenish calcium."

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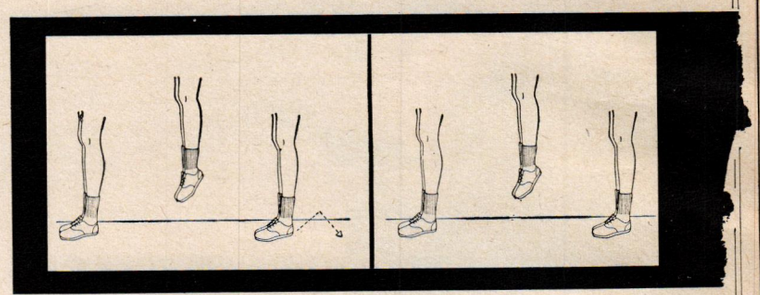
Jumping for health

Is there really *one* best exercise for keeping fit? Rope skippers think there is. They and many doctors feel that nothing surpasses skipping rope for producing the greatest degree of fitness in the least amount of time. As little as 2½ minutes of steady jumping stretched out over four or five sessions a day can improve endurance and stamina, protect the cardiovascular system, and lift both mind and spirit, according to Curtis Mitchell, author of *The Perfect Exercise—The Hop, Skip and Jump Way to Health* (Simon and Schuster). Rope jumping is officially recommended by both the President's Council of Physical Fitness and The Royal Canadian Air Force exercise program.

Jumping rope offers a most concentrated form of leg exercise that benefits the upper portion of the body as well. It's a total trimmer.

All it takes is a 7- to 9-foot length of sash rope taped at the handles and a pair of sneakers.



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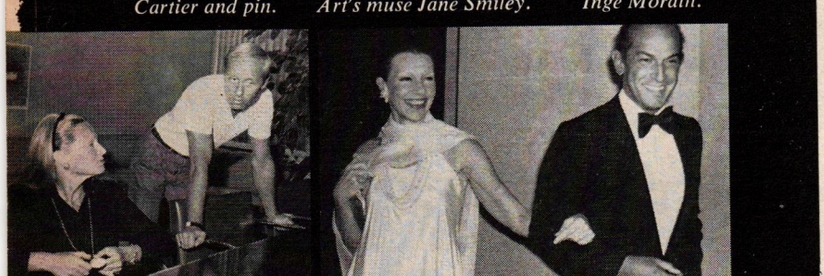
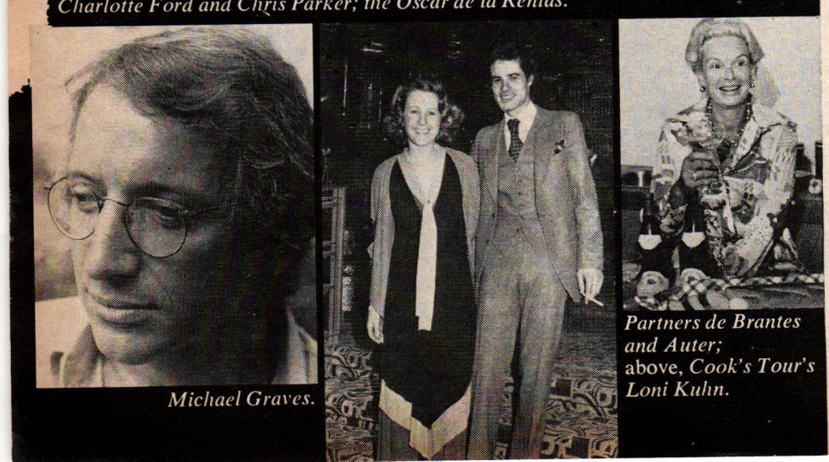
Cartier and pin. *Art's muse Jane Smiley.* *Inge Morath.*



Charlotte Ford and Chris Parker; the Oscar de la Rentas.



Michael Graves.

Partners de Brantes and Auter; above, *Cook's Tour's Loni Kuhn.*

PEOPLE

Loni Kuhn's "Cook's Tours" is the latest cooking coup in San Francisco. You sign up for a day or evening lesson in the cuisine of your favorite country—Greece, India, southern France, Egypt, Italy. She specializes in Middle Eastern cooking, also gives Cuisinart classes for new converts, as well as old hands.

Sotheby Parke Bernet will auction the collection of western American art and Indian artifacts of **John and Stella Foote** of Billings, Mont. Baskets, beadwork, saddles, toys, and blankets will be on view November 4-6; auction in Los Angeles, November 7 and 8.

A one-man show of magnificent jewelry by **Louis Cartier** begins October 13 at Cartier in New York. A jewelry salon that he designed in 1923 but never had built has been recreated for the show and includes vitrines of elm burl trimmed with brass and mirrors, even a system of movable steps.

Madison Avenue's **Kron Chocolatiers** is opening a shop in Beverly Hills.

Works by professional women artists across the state of Florida were presented in a show at the University of Miami's Lowe Art Museum—the first such show ever. **Jane Smiley,** director of special events at Burdine's, sponsored the show to coordinate with the Hemispheric Conference for Women '76 in Miami.

Inge Morath (Mrs. Arthur Miller) is having an exhibit of her photographs at The Silo in New Milford, Conn., November 3. Viking is publishing a book of her work, next February, *In The Country*.

Oscar de la Renta is the newest player on the "designer's sheets" team. His collection for Cannon is due in April.

Architect **Michael Graves** just won a fiercely competitive race for the commission to design an 11-million dollar cultural center in Fargo, N. Dak., that will link it with Moorehead, Minn. The complex will contain two museums, a concert hall, a public television broadcasting station, and a bridge that will span the Red River. The center's site, river's edge, literally brings the two communities together for future cultural projects.

Leslie Armstrong of Armstrong/Childs Architects is associating on the Symphony hall and TV station.

Ninety tablecloths out of sheets! **Tatie Reese** (Mrs. Eugene) and her committee stitched them up for St. Louis's Chrysanthemum Ball to benefit the Missouri Botanical Garden. The chrysanthemum show there opens October 23.

Comtesse Marina de Brantes, French president Valéry Giscard d'Estaing's sister-in-law, is opening a new restaurant in New York with quarters for her cooking school upstairs. She and her partner, **Ludovic Auter,** will open "Le Coup de Fusil" with a party celebrating the opening of the Paris Opera at the Met.

Charlotte Ford is designing clothes. Her first bow was a party and presentation of her smashing new showroom designed by **Chris Parker.** Mrs. Ford's private office doubles as a dining room for late evening supper parties. Gray carpet, charcoal gray flannel covered banquette seating arranged for individual clusters, white walls, and lots of mirrors.

Robert Rauschenberg is one of many contributing artists in the first pulp-paper sculpture show at the Santa Barbara Museum of Art called *The Handmade Paper Object,* opening October 29.

New York artist **Tony King** has found a way to develop photographs right on canvas—his series on The Tall Ships combines paint and picture, fact and illusion.

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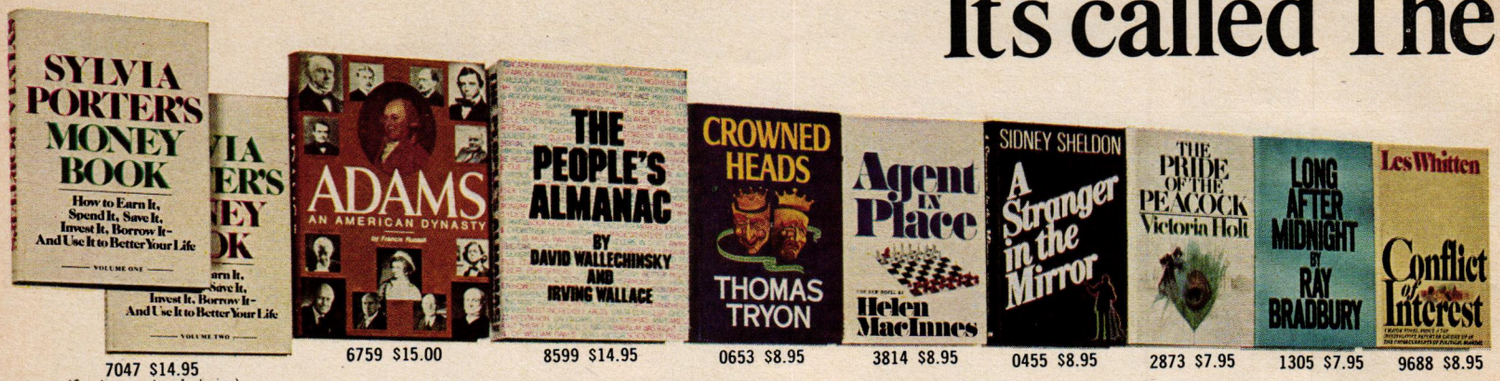

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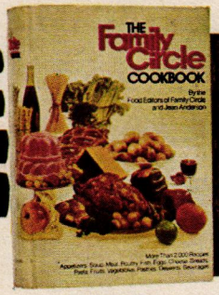

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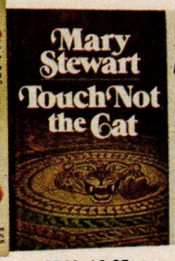

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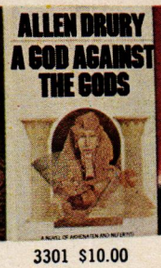

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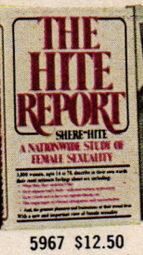

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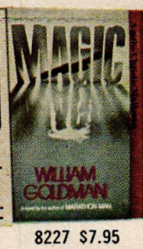

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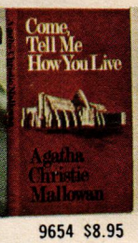

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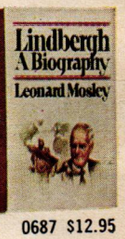

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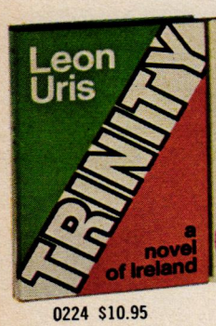

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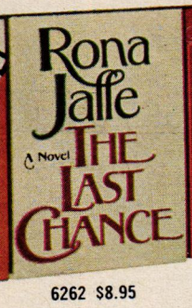

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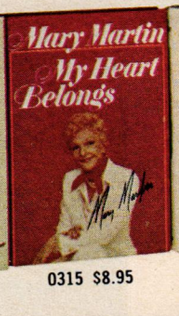

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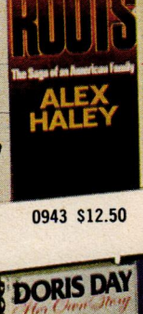

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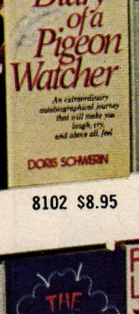

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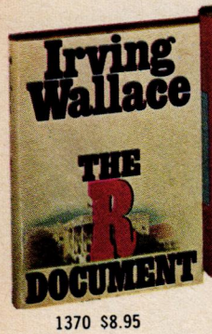

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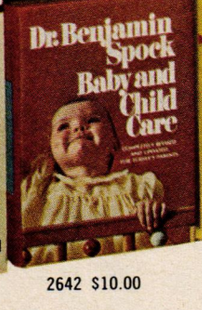

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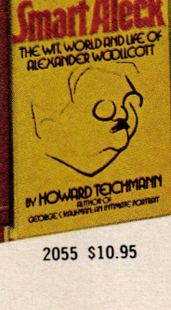

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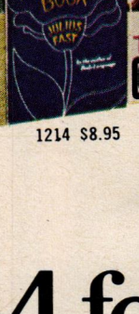

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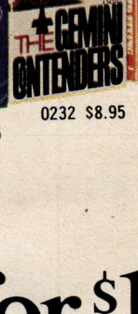

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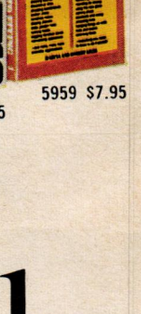

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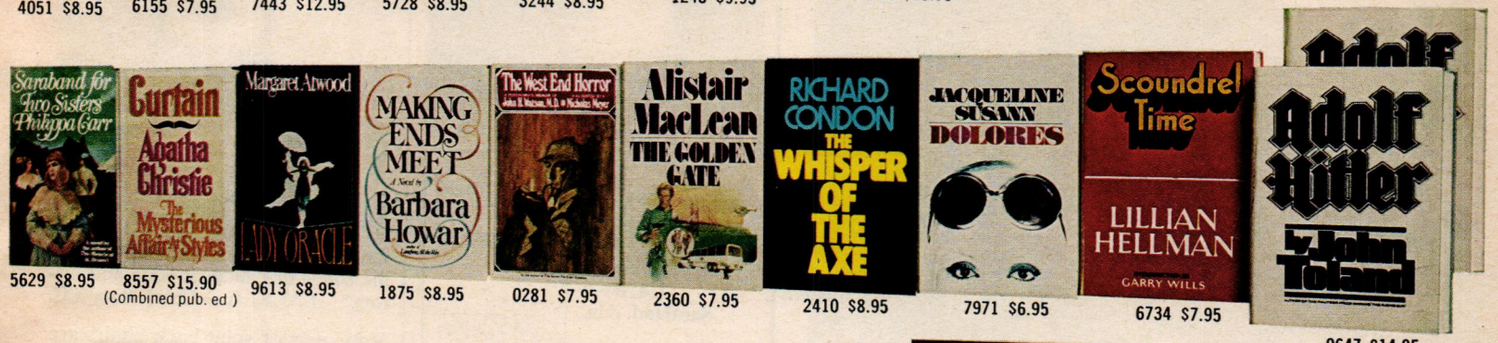

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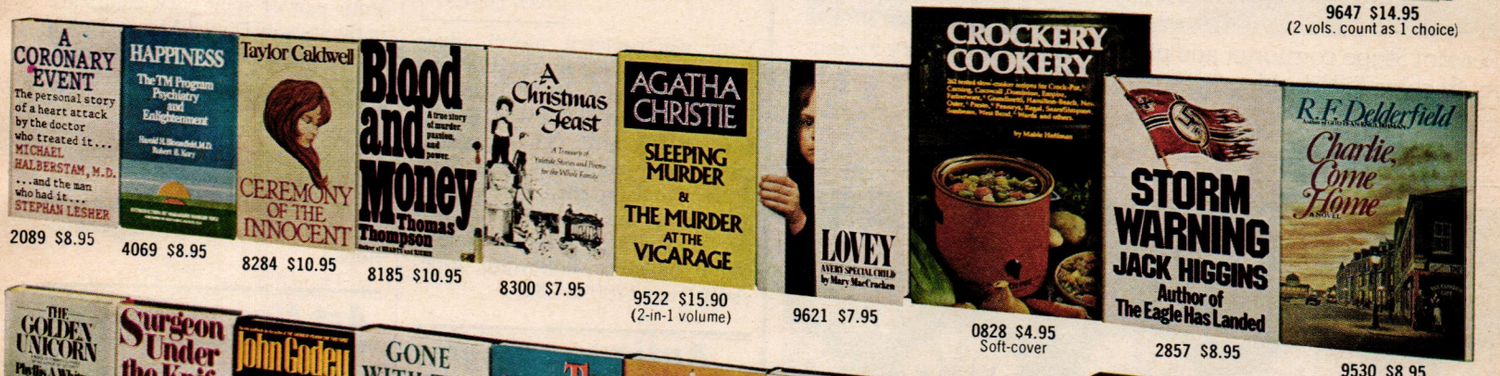

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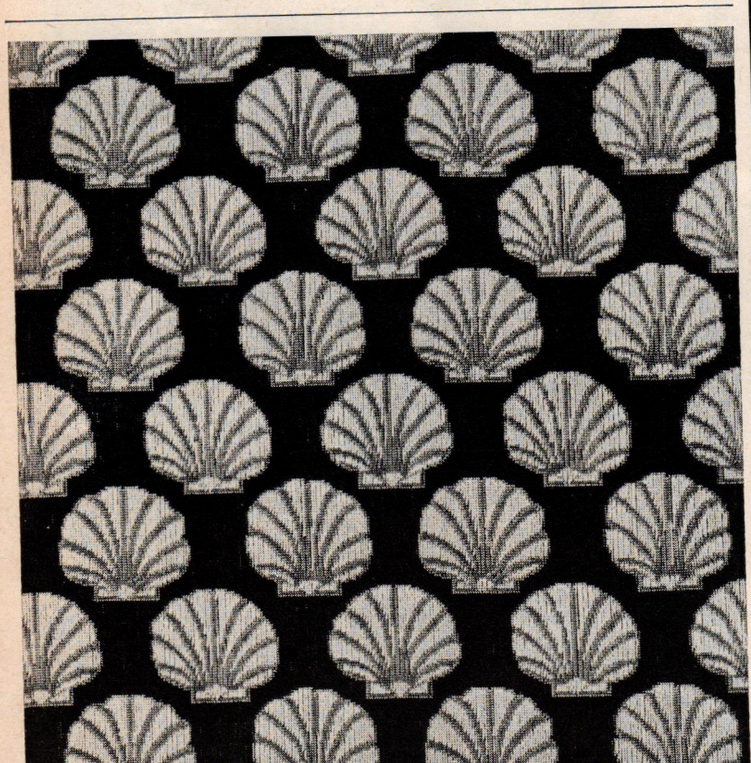

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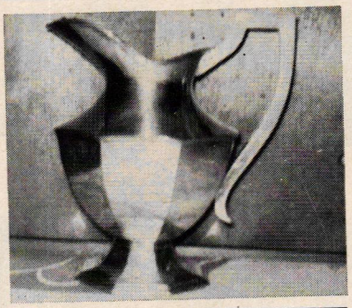
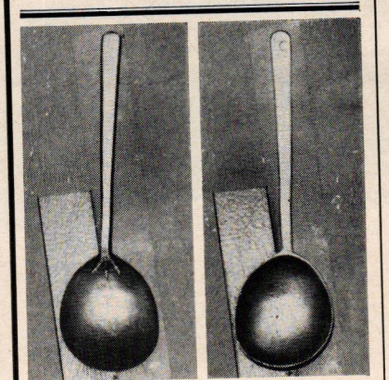
Connecticut pitcher



From the mark can you identify my silver pitcher? Why the stars and cross? J.A.W.—Saraland, Ala.

Your electroplated nickel silver pitcher was made by the Barbour Silver Company (BSCEPNS) of Hartford, Conn. after 1892—perhaps shortly after. The stars and cross are pseudo-hallmarks. The distinctive flat-arched curving handle is a variant of the high-arched curving handle, and is occasionally found on silver holloware, especially from 1790 to 1825.

Antique spoon



Have you any idea how old our spoon might be, where it comes from, and what it's made of? E.C.—Jackson, Miss.

The shape of the bowl and stem of your spoon indicates considerable age. It was probably made about 1700 and is of European manufacture. The metal is most likely pewter, but to be sure, consult an expert. The continuation of the stem down the back of the bowl in the form of a claw is an interesting decorative detail, and, like any form of projection at a joining, serves as a reinforcement.

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Are my chairs very old? Can you tell me something of their style and history? L.W.K. Jr.—Charleston, S.C.

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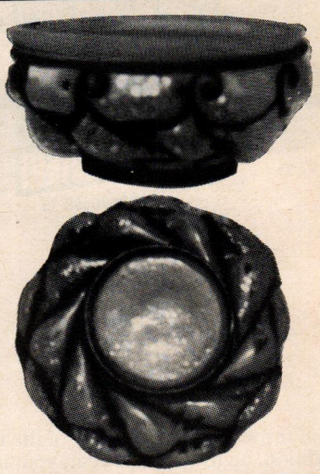
Art Nouveau bowl



The mark on our bowl says "L Majorelle, Daum F Nancy." From this can you identify it? M.L.P.—Littleton, Col.

The prominent Art Nouveau French designer Louis Majorelle (1859-1926) of the Nancy School designed the metal frame for the colored glass bowl made in the early 1900s at the Nancy glassworks, Daum Frères. The device in the Daum mark is the Cross of Lorraine. *(Continued on page 28)*

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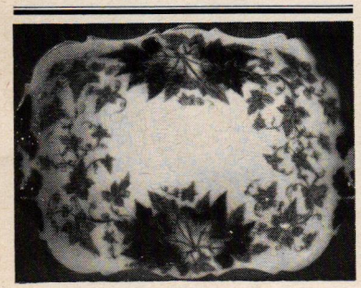
Pennsylvania clock

Our tall clock has the name "John Hagey" on its face. We have not been able to trace its origin. Can you?
H H.M.—Santa Ana, Cal.

John Hagey was working in Philadelphia and Germantown, Pa. about 1820. The Hagey family made tall case-clocks for three generations: Samuel; his son Jacob; Jacob's sons, George, John, Jonas. The most noted of the family was George, who worked at Trappe, Pa. and Sterling, Ohio.

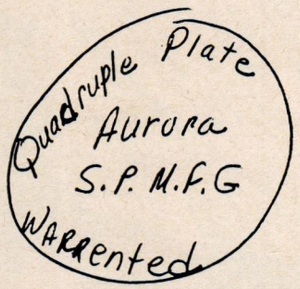
19th-century platter



Where and when was our platter made? Why does it say "Bryonia"?
J.S.T. Jr.—Norfolk, Va.

Your platter marked U & Cie was made in the 19th century at a faïence factory started at Sarreguemines, Alsace-Lorraine, about 1770 by Paul Utzschneider and carried on by his descendants throughout the 19th century. "Bryonia," the pattern name, is a small genus of perennial Old World cucurbitaceous vines; in England it is represented by bryony.

American caster mark



From my sketch of the mark, can you identify our old caster? Where was it used? T.H.—Mehama, Ore.

Your plated silver caster was made by the Aurora Silver Plate Mfg. Co., active at Aurora, Ill., from 1869 to about 1915-1920. The caster was one of the most fashionable pieces of Victorian plated silverware, and properly should be placed in the center of the dining table.

Addendum

One of our readers has provided the additional information about the sculpture *Ariadne on Panther,* which appeared here May, 1976: *Ariadne on Panther,* in German *Ariadne auf dem Panther,* was

made in 1814 by German sculptor Johann Heinrich von Dannecker (1758-1841). The material was clear, white Carrara marble; the size, slightly larger than life. It was bought by Simon Moritz von Bethmann, owner of the world-renowned Bank Gebrüder Bethmann, who kept the sculpture as part of his collection in a special building, open to the public, near his Frankfurt on Main mansion. *Ariadne* was considered one of the most significant works of German classicism. The sculpture, together with many others, was destroyed on March 22, 1944, during a British air raid on Frankfurt.

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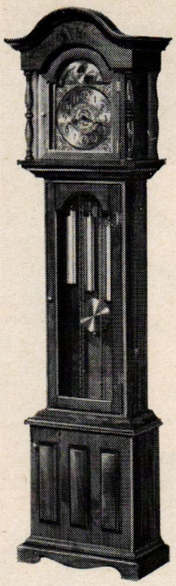

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By Paul Gross

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Take the typical divorce—if any can be considered typical. It's conceived in disappointment, born in disagreement, and usually ends in despair. To make matters worse, all the proceedings usually take place in an atmosphere of high dudgeon and fear. No wonder we have such misconceptions about divorce. Ask a man about divorce, and chances are that he'll tell you about some ex-husband who's now a slave to his ex-wife's alimony payments. Ask a woman, and she'll probably tell you about all the ex-wives who are left scratching around to make ends meet after sacrificing so much to their marriages. Both points of view are correct—divorce settlements usually are not very equitable.

The sad part of it is that it doesn't have to be that way. Divorce is something you should think about and even make contingency plans for—even if you're wildly happy with your marriage. (The wealthy have been doing this for generations with pre-nuptial agreements that spell out exactly what each spouse's rights are before the wedding ceremony even takes place.) That may not seem very romantic, but with one-third of all first marriages ending in divorce, there's a fairly high risk that it will happen to you or someone in your family. Ironically enough, a friend who's a psychiatrist says that more marriages would probably work out better if couples opened up with one another and discussed the possibility of divorce openly. And as a divorce lawyer puts it: If your marriage doesn't work out, the least you can do is work out a divorce settlement that both of you can live with—especially if any children are involved.

A little bit of forethought and planning can do wonders for your divorce, as well as your relationship to your ex-spouse-to-be. By taking some tax and financial facts into consideration, you can both come away with more money than you ordinarily would and you won't be freighting your relationship with an ongoing anger.

Alimony or lump-sum payment?

The amount of alimony and child support a spouse gets usually amounts to 30 to 50 percent of a husband's income. (Even though some 19 states have laws providing for alimony for husbands, it's still fairly rare.) How much alimony and child support an ex-wife gets usually depends on who's legally "at fault" for the divorce, on the husband's finances, the wife's age, and the ages of the children. A woman who has no job skills and is 40 or older will usually get more than a younger woman.

Alimony and child support payments should be negotiated with an eye toward all the possible tax breaks or consequences of each type of arrangement. Alimony payments are taxable to the wife and tax deductible to the husband. According to the IRS, payments qualify as alimony if they are periodically made over an indefinite period of time with no total amount set. As with anything else in the tax code, there are some major exceptions. A set amount paid in installments over 10 years or longer is deductible. However, make sure that there are at least 10 equal installments, because each one is deductible only up to 10 percent of the total amount settled upon. Even a fixed amount that's paid out in less than 10 years may be deductible—providing the arrangement calls for payments to end or change when the wife remarries, the husband's finances change, or if one of them dies. Normally, alimony payments end when a wife remarries.

Some couples agree on lump-sum payments in lieu of alimony. They are neither taxable to the wife nor tax deductible for the husband. From the wife's vantage point, a lump-sum settlement can

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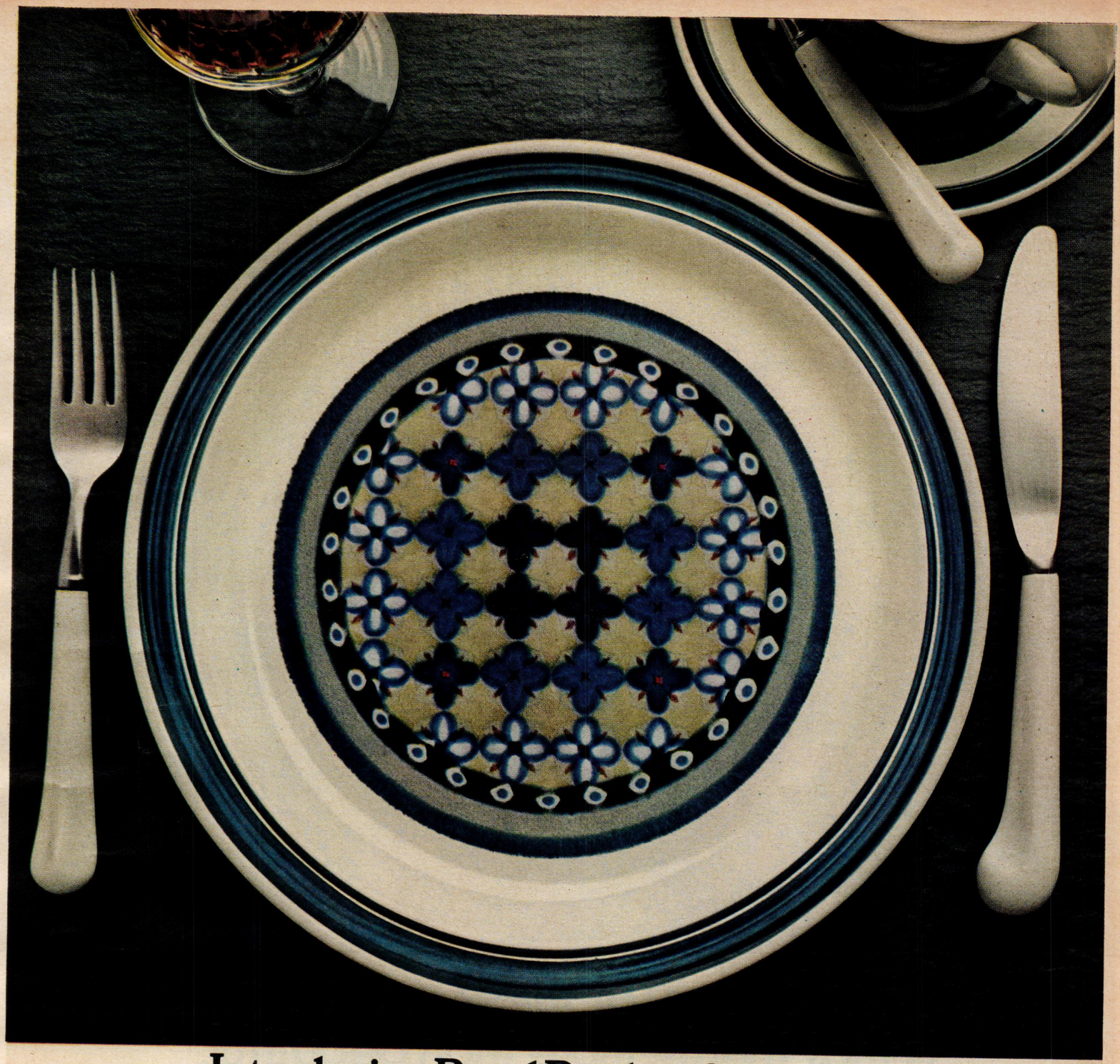

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make a lot of sense. For one thing, what she gets will not be eaten into by taxes—which means that she'll have more assets to work with. For another, there's no risk that her husband may skip out on his alimony obligations, be late with payments, or go broke.

From a husband's point of view, a lump-sum settlement also has some advantages. First, it lets him start all over again—without the burden of seemingly endless alimony payments. (The risk is that in New York and some other states, a wife can later petition the court for more alimony if she's frittered away her settlement.) What's more, a husband can usually negotiate a smaller settlement by arguing that his wife will get to keep all of the assets, instead of paying taxes on them as she would with alimony. Generally, this kind of arrangement makes the most sense for a husband who has a lot of tax-free income from government bonds or other investments and doesn't need the tax deductions he can get from alimony. One word of warning: Don't use assets that have appreciated in value as part of the settlement. The IRS treats this kind of settlement as a sale, and you'll be hit with what could amount to a huge capital gains tax when the transfer of property is made.

Alimony trusts

If the husband stands to gain more by reducing his taxable income than by getting tax deductions for alimony, he might consider setting up an alimony trust. The income from an alimony trust, paid to the wife on his behalf, is not counted as income for him. What's more, he can set up the trust so that he can eventually get back the principal, or change its beneficiaries. However, if any trust *principal* has to be used to meet the husband's alimony obligations, it can't be deducted as alimony. What's more, it's foolish to use tax-exempt bonds to fund the trust—that income wouldn't be taxed anyway.

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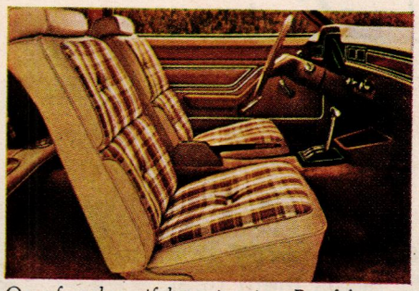

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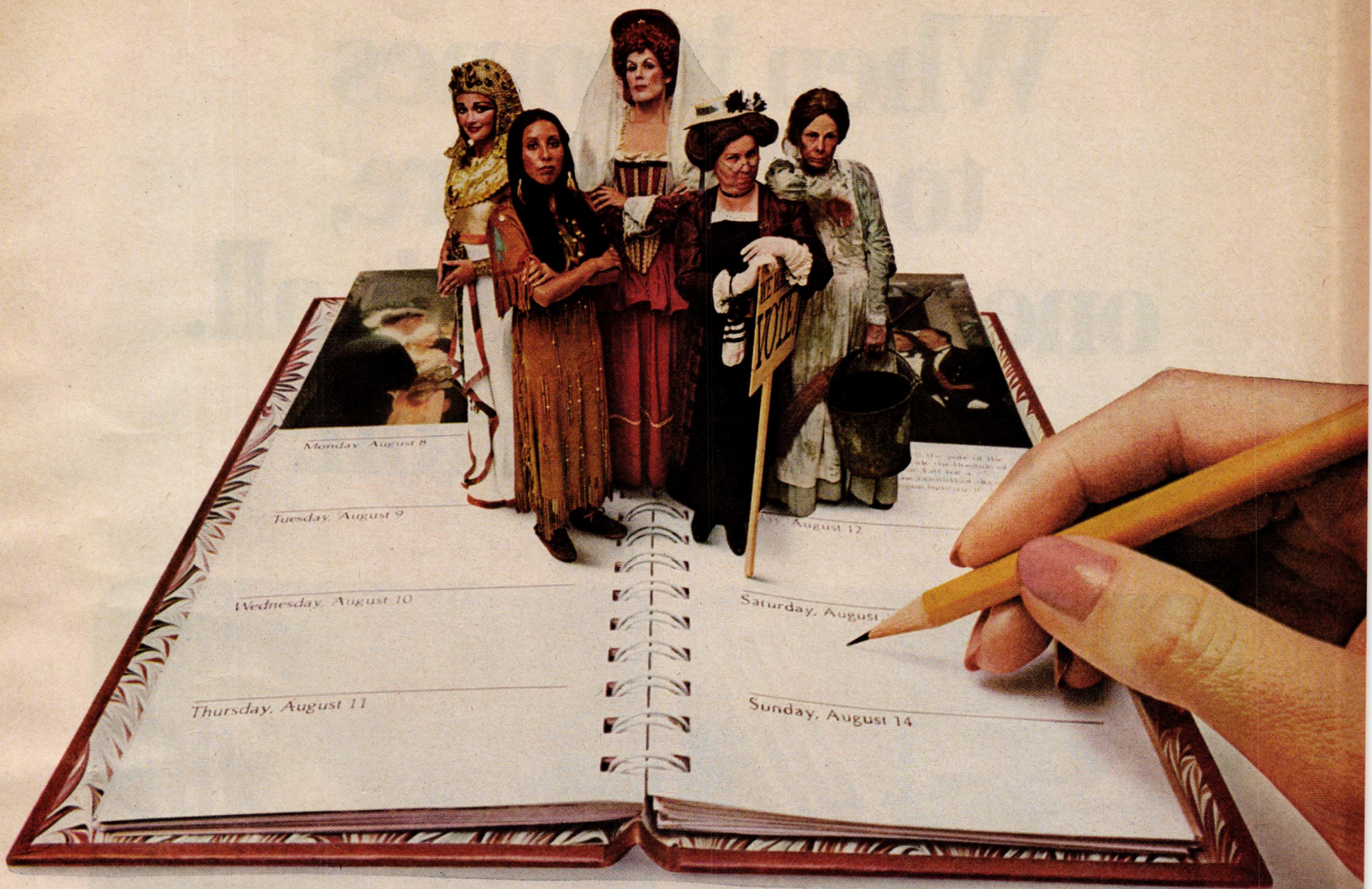

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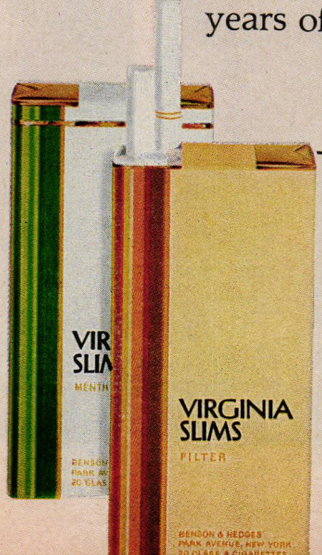

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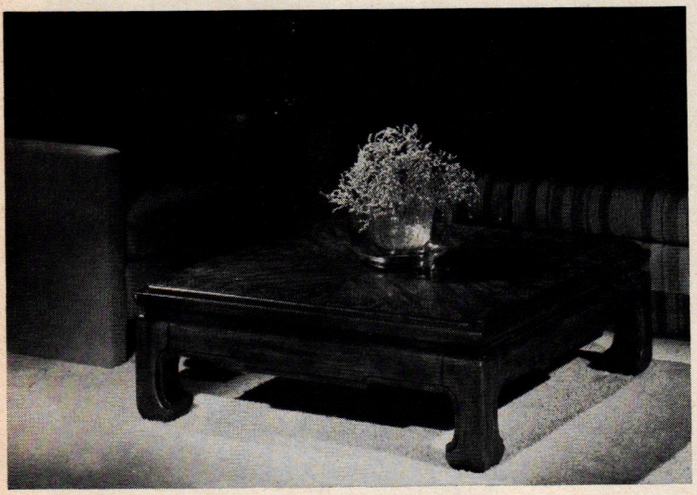

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Alternatively, as part of the separation or divorce agreement, the husband can make nonalimony payments of a set amount through a trust for a fixed number of years —with no strings attached. Because these aren't alimony payments, the wife only has to worry about trust income from taxable sources, not any trust income from tax exempt sources. And the husband can pay her through the trust with untaxed dollars.

Child support

Child support payments have no direct tax consequences. Indirectly, however, they have tremendous tax consequences, and should play a large role in divorce negotiations. If a portion of the payments made by a husband aren't clearly labeled as child support, everything he pays his wife will be treated as alimony by the IRS. Here's how it works out.

If a husband has a high income and his wife doesn't work, they might consider the following arrangement. First, they should figure out what she and the children will need to live on. Then they should label as much of that as is possible as alimony—so that he can get the biggest available tax break. Sure, she'll have to pay taxes on the alimony she receives, but she'll be in a much lower tax bracket than her husband. He in turn could agree to pay her additional alimony to cover the extra burden.

If the wife works, the split between alimony and child support will have to take into account the tax brackets of the husband and the wife. However, if the wife gets more in tax-free child-support payments, she should be prepared to accept a lower alimony settlement. For example, assume a husband makes $40,000 a year and his wife earns $20,000 a year. He agrees to give her a total of $10,000 a year as alimony and child support. If it turned out that he wanted to give her $7,000 in alimony and $3,000 in child support, her taxable income would shoot up to $27,000, and he would have a hefty tax deduction of $7,000. She would be wiser to agree to receive $1,000 less ($9,000 instead of $10,000), if $4,000 of it was designated as alimony and $5,000 as child support. That way, she'd save substantially on taxes. He, in turn, would lose $3,000 in tax deduction but would save $1,000 after-tax dollars.

Who claims the children as dependents should also be worked out in the separation agreement. Generally, the parent that pays more than half a child's costs can claim the dependency deduction of $750 per child. Whoever claims the child as a dependent can also deduct any of that child's medical expenses that he or she pays. (If the child isn't considered your dependent, you can't write off the medical expenses, even if you pay them.) As long as the father contributes $1,200 a year in support, (and if that comes to more than half the child's costs), he can claim that child as a dependent—even if the child lives with the mother. Even if the husband claims all the children as dependents, however, the mother may still be able to file a head-of-household tax return if the children live with her.

If the wife works, or plans to, *she* should try to claim at least one child as a dependent. That way, she'll be able to qualify for the child-care deduction—as much as $4,800 a year—for costs such as babysitting, domestic help, day-care centers, and so on.

Division of property

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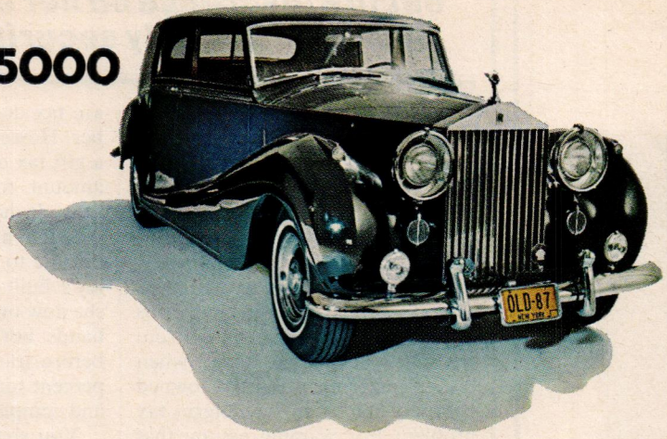

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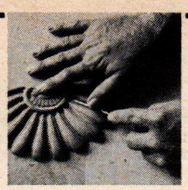

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A wife receiving alimony should take out life insurance on her ex-husband. It may be her only security if he dies

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courts take into consideration the fact that one spouse may have helped the other buy property.

Be very careful about transferring appreciated property, because you'll be liable for a capital gains tax on the difference in value from the date you bought it and when it's transferred. Jointly owned property can be an even bigger tax problem. For example, assume that your home and vacation cabin at the shore are jointly owned. You agree to give your wife your half of the house, and she to give you her half of the vacation cabin. Bingo—you both have to pay capital gains taxes on half the value of these houses. The way around this bind is to wait until after the divorce decree to transfer the property—providing you can still trust each other. That way, the arrangement will not be considered a "sale for marital rights"; it will simply be a tax-free exchange of similarly valued properties. You may, however, be liable for some gift taxes, depending on the value of the properties involved.

Insurance

One of the most important elements of any divorce negotiation is insurance. Generally, a wife should take out some life insurance on her ex-husband—especially if she's going to receive alimony. It will be her only security in the event he dies. What's more, it will help make up for the fact that she may get nothing from his estate when he dies. What usually happens is that a husband transfers his existing life-insurance policies to his wife, and continues to pay the premiums as part of the settlement. She then owns the policies. (Note that for estate tax purposes, in any case, it is wise for each spouse to own the insurance of the other spouse.) The premiums he pays are tax deductible, and taxable to her. However, he may have to pay a gift tax on them if the premiums amount to more than $3,000 a year. If he transfers a whole-life policy to his wife, he will no longer be able to borrow against the policy's built-up cash value, because she now owns it. Hence, many husbands borrow against the policy before transferring it. The 5 to 8 percent interest is relatively cheap and completely tax deductible.

You should also take a look at all your other types of insurance coverage. Many husbands agree to pay for their children's medical bills over, say, $200 a year—or whatever his family insurance coverage will take care of. (Family health insurance will take care of the kids after a divorce, but not the wife—so she may need a new policy herself.) And if the wife gets the home as part of the agreement, she may ask that he pay for the homeowners' insurance.

Finally, as part of the settlement, a husband should consider picking up all the legal fees as part of the alimony agreement, so that they can be deducted from his taxes. (Anything labeled as alimony is tax deductible. Normally, however, legal fees are not, unless the advice given deals with tax matters.) If a husband is unwilling to pay the entire bill for legal fees, both spouses should ask their attorneys for an itemized bill. That way, they'll be able to deduct the tax advice.

By all means, if divorce is inevitable, get the best legal help you can afford—regardless of how rational you think your divorce negotiations will be. Negotiations can fall apart at the drop of a nasty crack or the flare of a temper. Should that happen, you'll want a cool, smart lawyer to look after your best interests. What's more, the better the settlement, the less likely the chances of either of you having to go back to court to renegotiate the terms. ■

His and her taxes in a divorce

Type of payment	Husband	Wife
Alimony	Deductible	Taxable
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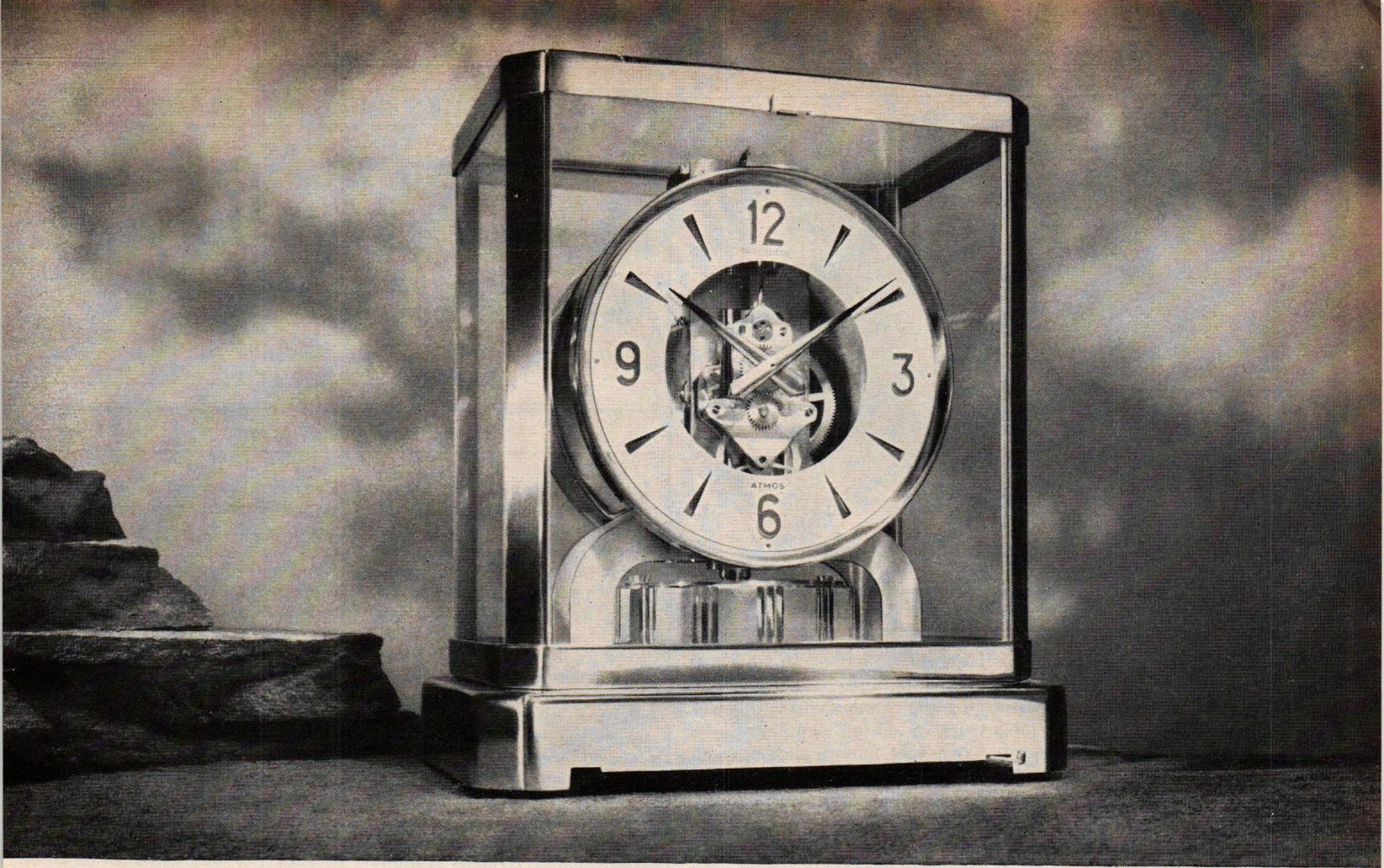

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GOOD LOOKS AND GOOD HEALTH

Are medical checkups all they're cracked up to be?

An up-to-date report on preventive medicine

By Caroline Seebohm

"It must be concluded that the annual physical examination has proved to be little more than an elaborate and expensive ritual that has not fulfilled its promise," wrote Dr. Richard Spark in a recent article in *The New York Times* Magazine.

The National Cancer Institute called a meeting in July specifically to defend the X-ray examination called mammography to screen ostensibly healthy women below the age of 50 for hidden breast cancer, after accusations that the risks of radiation for younger women were greater than those of cancer.

Ivan Illich, in his controversial book, *Medical Nemesis* (Pantheon), attacking the "sick-making powers of diagnosis and therapy," writes, "Healthy people need minimal bureaucratic interference to mate, give birth, share the human condition, and die." (see House & Garden, September, 1976.)

A year ago, preventive medicine was being touted as the only hope in our fight against mortality. "You don't take your car for granted," said Dr. Ernst L. Wynder of the American Health Foundation. "It has regular checkups. But you take your body for granted. We all have the illusion of immortality." Regular checkups for all Americans were being urged by Federal agencies as well as private institutions to try to prevent disease before it happened.

But now, suddenly, the tide seems to have turned. Today some doctors say that checkups are overrated, that they find too little and cost too much, that we are overdoctored. What is the truth?

To explore the matter, I paid a visit to one of the pioneer institutes in the field of preventive medicine, the Strang Clinic in New York City. Founded in 1940 as part of the Memorial Hospital for Cancer and Allied Diseases by Dr. Elise Strang L'Esperance, the clinic reflected Dr. L'Esperance's belief that the most effective approach to the control and prevention of cancer was through detection *before* symptoms appeared. In 1963, the clinic became an independent, nonprofit center for preventive medicine. One of its most valuable contributions to medical science is the "Pap Test," originated by Dr. George Papanicolaou at the clinic to screen patients for uterine cancer.

Today, the Preventive Medicine Institute/Strang Clinic admits from 18,000 to 20,000 patients a year, mostly in the 40s to 70s age group, when people begin to be more aware of physical problems. These patients fill out a questionnaire and are then given a comprehensive examination, for $130. This examination is designed to show up any early signs of cancer or other problems that can be cured or controlled by prompt medical attention. The clinic emphasizes it is not a treatment center, but a diagnostic facility. Patients may then be referred to specialists for treatment.

Dr. Margaret Dressler is Associate Medical Director of the Strang Clinic, and I put to her the question about checkup or no checkup that has been so much in the news recently. "I have been at the clinic for 30 years," she told me, "so I have some background to answer your question. In my opinion, the question is not 'should we all have an annual examination?' which most doctors would agree is a very good thing, but 'is it worth the money?' I would say that if a person has the money to spend, and feels that a checkup is necessary for his or her own comfort and peace of mind, then it is well worth it. A lot of things are picked up—diabetes, hypertension, vaginal infections—that can be corrected if found early enough, quite apart from cancer.

"You must understand that motivation is involved here. If we offered this examination free of charge, to a large group of people, 100 percent would by no means take advantage of the offer. Some people just don't want to know. But for those who do, it is of value, because it gives them reassurance. We are also psychiatrists, you know. We relieve people's anxieties, their worries, and that is no small thing."

Dr. Dressler pointed out that unfortunately, the Strang-type examination is too expensive to carry out as a public health program, if

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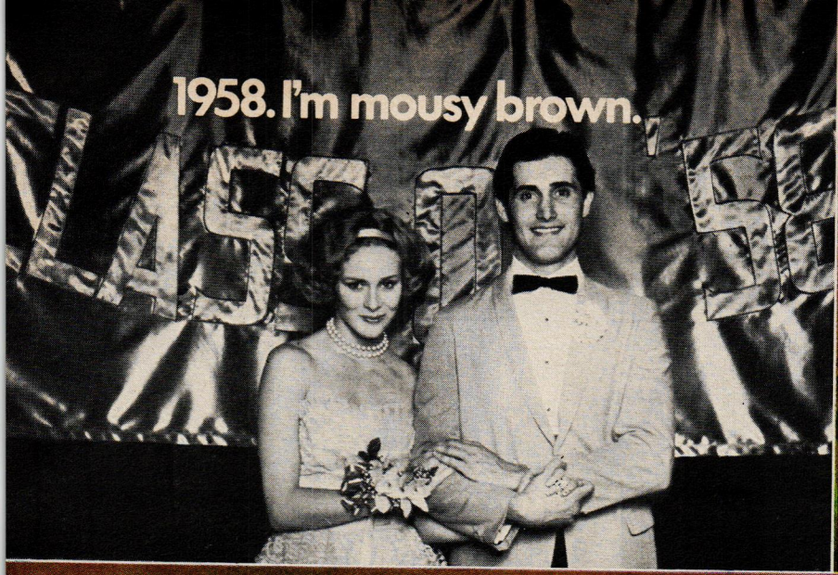

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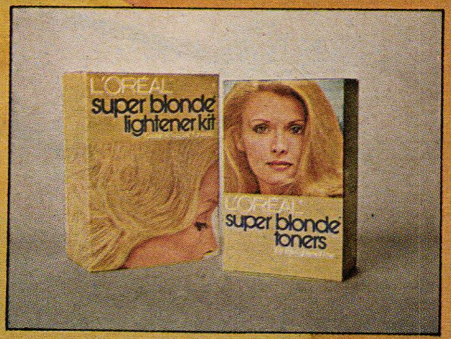

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The next major advance in the health of American people will result only from what the individual will do for himself

Medical checkups

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it is doctor-oriented. "But cheaper examinations, with specially trained nurses rather than doctors in attendance, are now being made available across the country. We are also conducting selective screening of individuals according to their patterns of risk factors," she explained. (Risk factors include a heredity of cancer or heart disease, personal habits such as smoking or lack of exercise, and environmental hazards such as work with chemicals.) "Such programs are being conducted at low-cost clinics so that we can discover people who have high-risk factors and help them to protect themselves."

I then asked Dr. Dressler about the alarmist reports about breast X-rays and radiation. "Two years ago," she said, "when we had all that excitement over the breast cancer of the two First Ladies, people almost blamed us for not offering annual, or even six-monthly, breast X-rays. They wanted it at that time. But this institute has always been on the conservative side. We felt a mammography only had value for women over 40. Now the National Institutes of Health and the Cancer Society have advanced that age to 50. So between the ages of 35 and 50 you only do it on indication, that is, if a woman has very lumpy breasts, or large breasts, or a very strong family history of cancer."

My last question concerned accusations that Americans are over-conscious about health, over-doctored, and generally paying too much attention to checkups. "When this clinic was opened, we didn't even see people under 30," Dr. Dressler told me. "But nowadays people between 20 and 30 have become very health-conscious, and they are the ones who want to come for a checkup, so we have now at the clinic an examination for the under-40s which is streamlined (and costs less). In my opinion, if they need that reassurrance, why shouldn't they get it?"

Statistics generally favor the notion of preventive medicine. According to Dr. Daniel G. Miller, Director of the Strang Institute, "The survival rate after diagnosis at the Preventive Medicine Institute/Strang Clinic for patients with breast cancer, cancer of the colon, and uterine cancer is more than twice that of the national average. Improved survival rates have also been documented in similar programs." (Dr. Spark, however, quotes two studies that showed (a) a group of people who did not have checkups did not do appreciably worse than those who did, and (b) in 49 percent of cases studied, disease diagnosis did not occur during the regular checkup.)

Last year, Americans spent over $118 billion dollars on health. Less than 3 percent of that spending went toward the prevention of disease. Yet it is now known that major causes of cancer, heart disease, and stroke come from risk factors (such as those mentioned above) that can be considerably lessened by preventive health care. Dr. John H. Knowles, president of the Rockefeller Foundation, was quoted in the *Wall Street Journal* as saying, "The individual must realize that a perpetuation of the present system of high-cost, after-the-fact medicine will only result in higher costs and more frustration. The next major advance in the health of the American people will result only from what the individual is willing to do for himself."

It seems that two conclusions can be fairly drawn from my discussions with Dr. Dressler:

1. People over 40 should have an annual checkup, because it's at that age that medical problems most commonly begin.

2. Breast X-rays are valuable for women over 50, but between the ages of 35 and 50 are necessary only if a woman has indications, such as lumps or a history of cancer. (You should, of course, have your breasts examined annually by a doctor at earlier ages, without a mammography, and learn to examine yourself every month.)

As for the third question, being over-doctored, it seems to me to be entirely a question of common sense. If, as Dr. Dressler points out, you are seriously worried about your health, need reassurance, and can afford it, why shouldn't you have a checkup? After all, it's surely a very simple way to obtain—at least as far as health goes—peace of mind. ■

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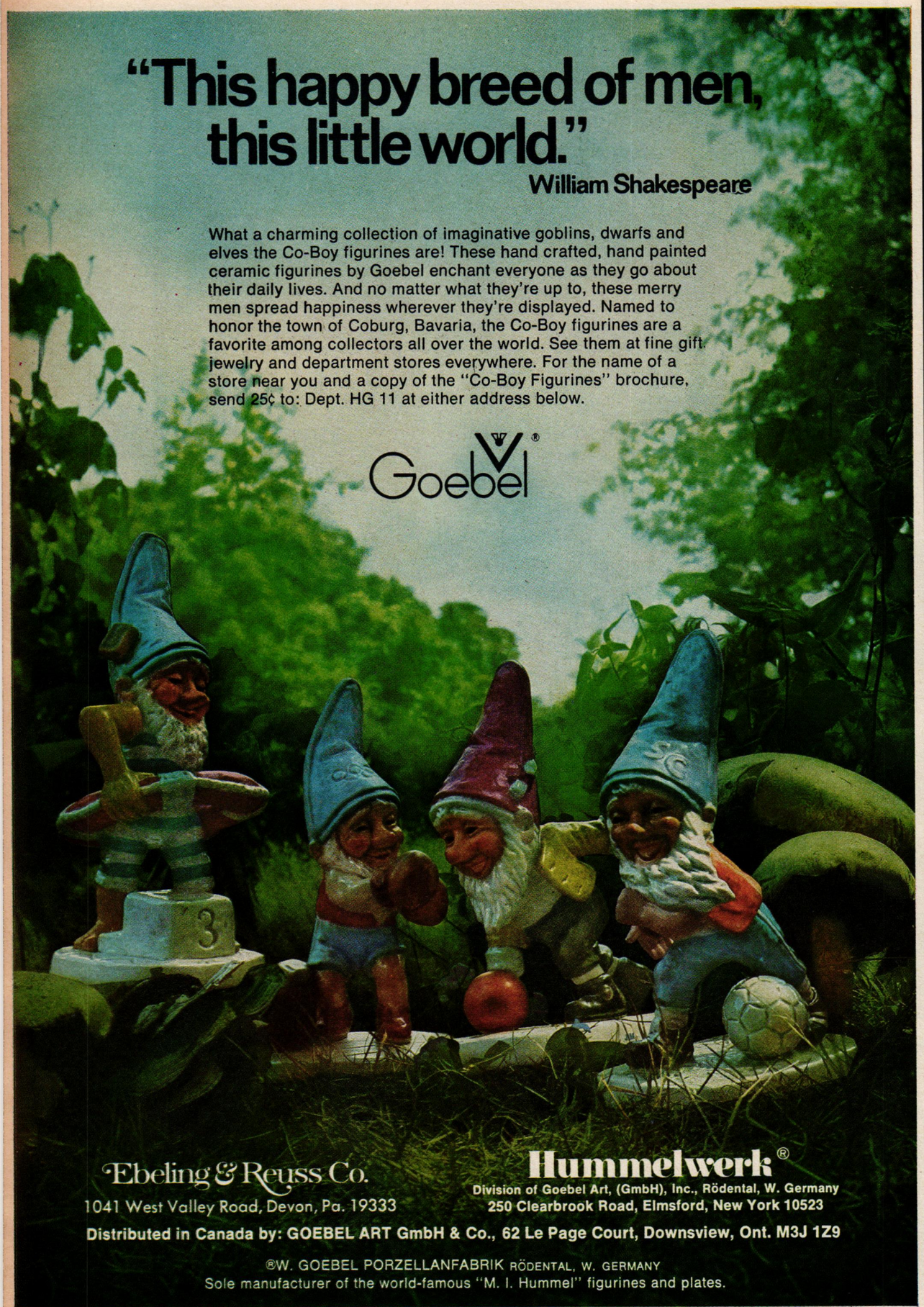

New beauty products in the stores

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merest amount on a shoulder, behind a knee, at wrists, bosom is enough. Don't waste it by dabbing behind an ear lobe—it'll only drift away behind you. One ounce, $50; half-ounce, $30; quarter-ounce, $18.50. And there are many sizes of Eau de Toilette and Parfum de Toilette. At Bloomingdale's; Marshall Field; Bullock's Wilshire.

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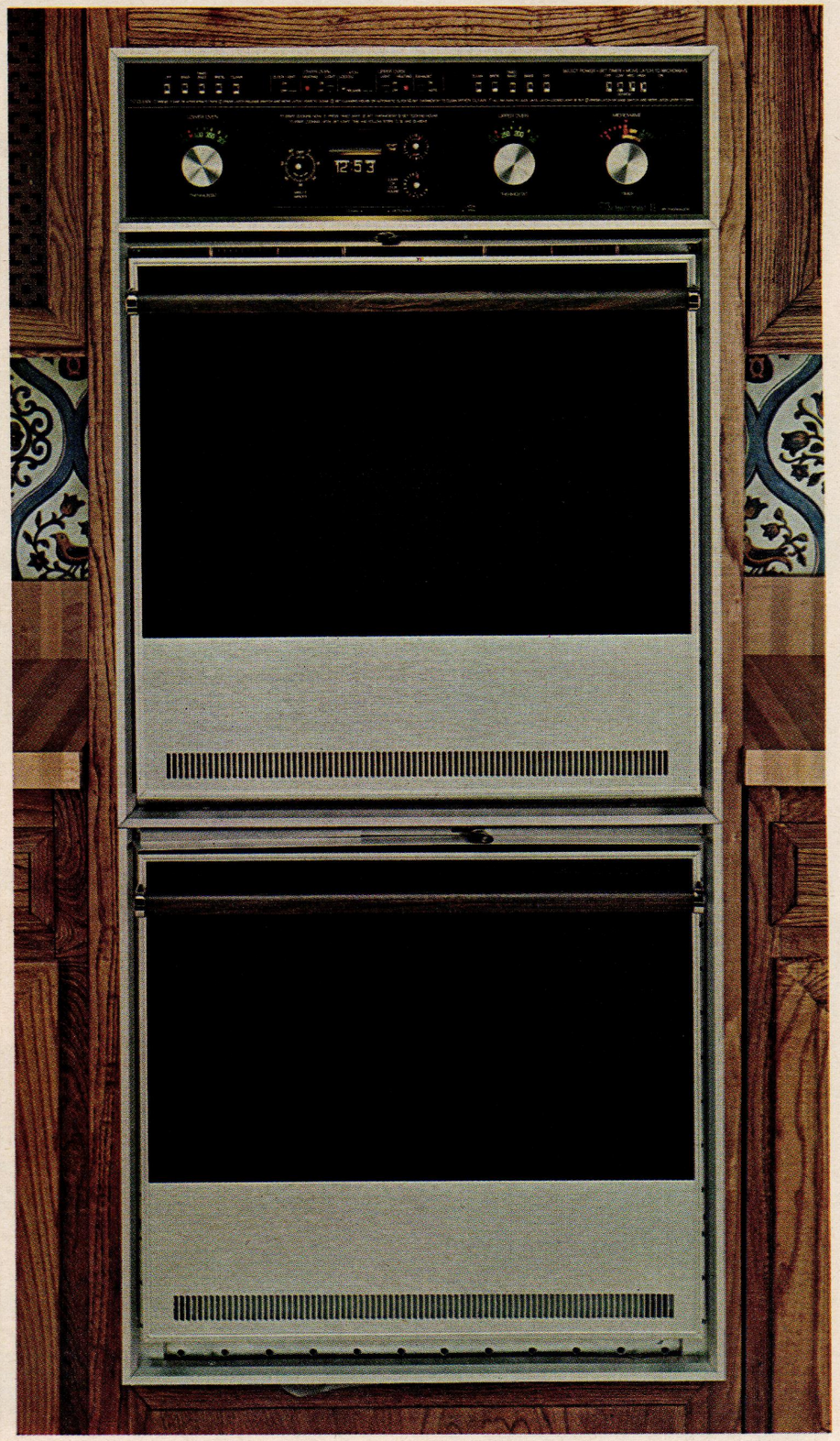

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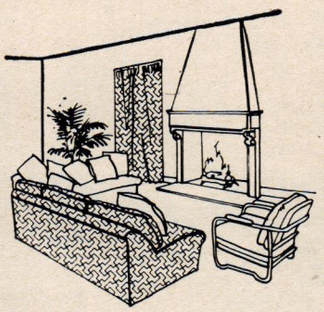

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YOUR FAMILY'S NUTRITION

Say cheese!

Useful comparisons of the nutritional value of milk, meat, and cheese, and some healthy and savory cheese recipes

By Eloise R. Trescher, RD

When Samuel Johnson wrote, "The great source of pleasure is variety," he was describing cheese aptly. There are well over 400 varieties and the U.S. Department of Agriculture has indexed more than 800 names of cheese.

All cheeses are made by coagulating milk, either whole or skimmed, extracting the whey, the liquid part of milk, and preserving the curd, or the solid parts of the milk. The distinctive flavor and texture of cheese is determined by the action of yeast, molds, bacteria, acidity, time, and the temperature that is employed in the treatment of the curd. Roquefort, for example, gets its blue marbled veins and sharp flavor from penicillin mold.

Although the first dairy cows arrived in America at Jamestown, Va., in 1611, it was not until 1851 that the first cheese factory was started in Rome, N.Y. Today it is estimated that one-fifth of the milk produced in this country is made into cheese.

Here are some of the better known cheeses, divided into hard, soft, and semisoft categories.

HARD

Name	Basic ingredient
Asiago	Cow's milk, whole or partially skimmed.
Caciocavallo	Goat's or cow's milk, whole or partially skimmed.
Cheddar	Cow's milk, whole.
Colby	Cow's milk, whole.
Edam	Cow's milk, partially skimmed.
Gjetost	Whey from goat's milk.
Gouda	Cow's milk, partially skimmed, but more fat than Edam.
Gruyère	Cow's milk, usually partially skimmed.
Parmesan	Cow's milk, partially skimmed.
Provolone	Cow's milk, whole.
Sapsago	Cow's milk, skimmed and soured, plus buttermilk and whey.
Swiss	Cow's milk, partially skimmed.

SOFT

Name	Basic Ingredient
Bel Paese	Cow's milk, whole.
Brie	Cow's milk, whole.
Camembert	Cow's milk, whole.
Cottage	Cow's milk, skimmed; cream dressing may be added.
Cream	Cream and cow's milk, whole.
Limburger	Cow's milk, whole or partially skimmed.
Neufchâtel	Cow's milk, whole.
Ricotta	Whey and whole or skim milk, or whole or part skim milk.

SEMISOFT

Name	Basic ingredient
Blue	Cow's milk, whole.
Brick	Cow's milk, whole.
Gorgonzola	Cow's milk, whole, or goat's milk, or mixture of these.
Monterey Jack	Cow's milk, whole.
Mozzarella	Cow's milk, whole, or partially skimmed.
Münster	Cow's milk, whole.
Port du Salut	Cow's milk, whole or slightly acid.
Primost	Whey with added buttermilk, whole milk or cream.
Roquefort	Sheep's milk.
Stilton	Cow's milk, whole with added cream.

From "Newer Knowledge of Cheese": The National Dairy Council

Cheese is a good source of high quality protein and calcium, but different cheeses contain different amounts of these nutrients. Cheese made from whole milk contains fat and vitamin A. Cheese made from skim milk contains little of these two nutrients. All cheese is low in carbohydrate, as this nutrient is lost with the whey. Many of the vitamins of the B-complex are lost in the separation of curds from whey, yet some may be synthesized in the ripening process.

For a kitchen pinup, the simple chart on page 62 compares the nutritional value of milk, meat, and cheese. *(Continued on page 60)*

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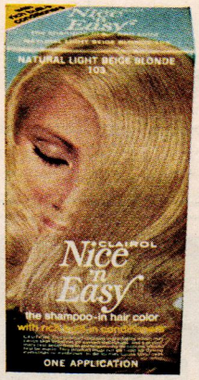

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For healthy people, cheese (except cream cheese) is an excellent protein substitute for meat, fish, eggs, or poultry. If you feel like exchanging protein in your diet, 1 ounce cheese of the Cheddar type, or ¼ cup cottage cheese, approximates 1 ounce lean meat, fish, or poultry (cooked weight), or 1 egg.

Cheeses are relatively rich in calcium (except for cream cheese, cottage cheese, and Camembert), whereas meat, fish, and poultry are all low in calcium, unless one chews the bones. So are eggs, unless one eats the shell (a benefit that would be canceled by the damage to your digestive system!). Most fish, shellfish, young chickens, calf's liver, sweetbreads, and cottage cheese are low in fat, while pork, beef, sausage, lamb, and cheese (except cottage) are high. The wise person includes a wide variety of food in his diet in order to ensure nutritional adequacy.

You can substitute cheese for other foods in your diet as often as you like, but you must be sure of the nutritional value. Remember, the harder the cheese, the lower the moisture content and the higher the calorie value. Cheese is also a good substitute for milk, but only in protein and calcium. As the types of cheese are so varied, I have listed below the significant nutrients in *1-ounce* portions of selected cheeses.

The flavor of cheese is enhanced by warming it to room temperature for at least an hour before serving. Before a dinner party, bring out the cheese at the same time that you do the wine. Cheese should be cooked at low temperatures, only long enough for the cheese to melt. At high temperatures it becomes tough, rubbery, and stringy, and the fat may separate from the curd.

Cheese may be kept in the refrigerator for several weeks, and in the freezer 2 to 12 months. For the refrigerator or freezer, cheese should be wrapped tightly in moisture-proof material to exclude air and prevent drying out. Transparent freezer wrap is a good choice. Hard cheeses freeze well in ½- to 1-pound packages. Only fast freezing is recommended; slow freezing results in a crumbly product when thawed. To thaw frozen cheese, leave it in its wrapper, place in the refrigerator, and allow to thaw slowly.

Mold that forms on cheese is harmless, and may be scraped off if it has not penetrated the fissures in the cheese. If cheese has dried out, grate it and use for cooking.

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Type of cheese *Significant nutrients in 1-ounce portions*	**Water** *Percent*	**Food** *Energy calories*	**Protein** *Grams*	**Fat** *Grams*	**Carbohydrate** *Grams*	**Calcium** *Mg.*	**Phosphorus** *Mg.*	**Iron** *Mg.*	**Sodium** *Mg.*	**Potassium** *Mg.*	**Vit. A** *Value International units*
Blue or Roquefort	40	104	6.1	8.6	.6	89	96	(.1)	—	—	350
Brick	41.0	105	6.3	8.6	.5	207	129	(.3)	—	—	350
Camembert	52.2	85	5.0	7.0	.5	30	52	.1	—	31	290
Cheddar (Domestic type)	37	113	7.1	9.1	.6	213	136	.3	198	23	370
Cottage Cheese (Creamed)	78.3	30	3.9	1.2	.8	27	43	.1	65	24	(50)
Cottage Cheese (Dry)	79	24	4.8	.1	.8	26	50	.1	82	20	Trace
Limburger	45	98	6.0	7.9	.6	167	111	.2	—	—	(320)
Parmesan	17	132	12.1	8.7	1.0	383	263	.1	247	50	(360)
Swiss	39	105	7.8	7.9	.5	262	160	.3	201	29	(320)
Pasteurized process cheese American	40	105	6.6	8.5	.5	198	219	.3	322	23	(350)

Legend: Values in parentheses denote imputed values.
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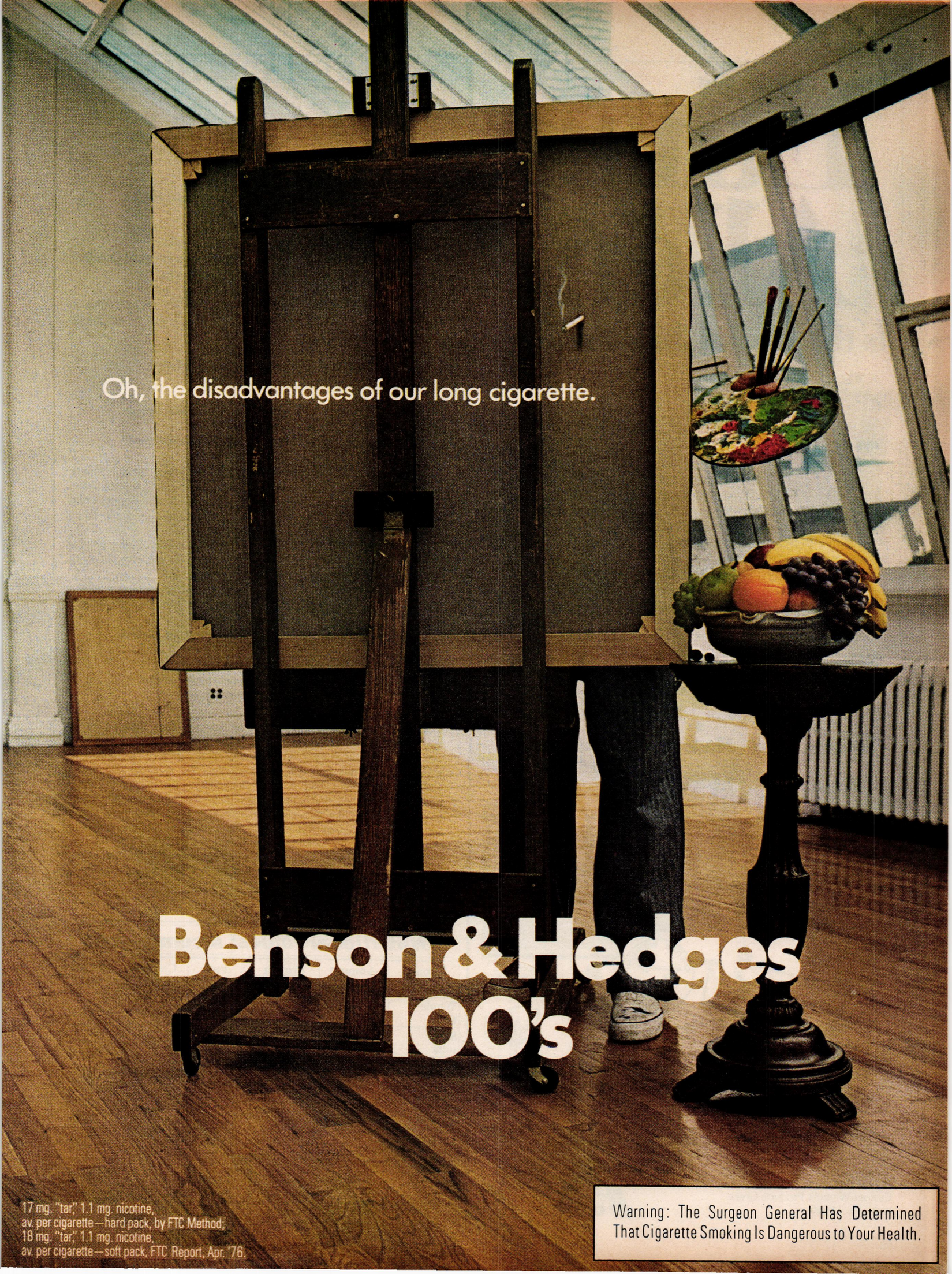

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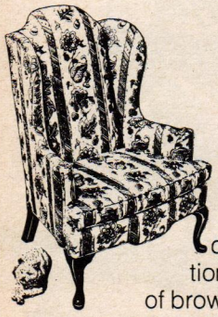

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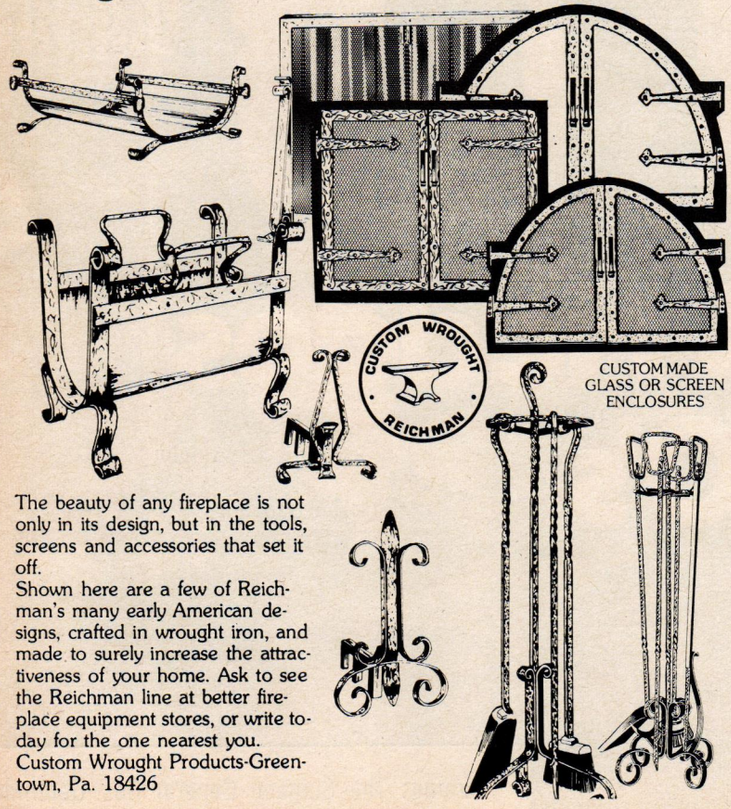

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Steven De Baun's Scrambled Eggs on Cheese Toast

½ cup finely grated processed American cheese
1 teaspoon paprika
¼ pound butter
8 slices toast, crusts trimmed off
Scrambled eggs

Mix cheese, paprika, and butter. Spread liberally on halved toast slices. Prepare scrambled eggs (1 tablespoon water to each egg, salt, and pepper) and spoon on top of toast.

Mrs. Richard Buck's Cheese and Tomato Puff

sharp cheese, sliced
tomatoes, sliced
mayonnaise
Worcestershire sauce
eggs
crisp bacon (optional)

In individual ramekins, place first a slice of cheese, then a tomato slice well spread with mayonnaise and a dash of Worcestershire. Repeat layers until you are within 1 inch of top. (It is important to leave room at the top, as the puffs will expand slightly when baked.) Then place a whole raw egg on top and let white of egg seep down through layers. Top with another slice of cheese and crumbled bacon. Place in medium oven for 20 minutes, or until egg is cooked and cheese melted and browned.

This can be prepared ahead of time, except for adding egg and the remaining bit of cheese and bacon at last minute and heating.

Mrs. John M. Young's Cheese Mold

1-1½ cups cream cheese
¼ cup Roquefort cheese
2 tablespoons brandy or sherry
beef extract*
2 envelopes gelatin
toasted almonds

Combine cheeses and mix until very smooth, then add the wine. Half fill a melon mold with beef aspic (made with a good beef extract combined with 2 envelopes of plain gelatin or 2 cups of water). When this has congealed around the sides of the mold, remove the liquid center and fill the cavity with the cheese mixture. Pour the rest of the beef aspic over this and chill the mold in the icebox. When the jelly is thoroughly congealed, turn it out on a platter and surround with crackers. Press toasted almonds in the top of the mold (porcupine fashion) as a garnish. This is especially nice for a large cocktail party where guests help themselves.

*The aspic may also be made with 2 10½-ounce cans beef bouillon and 2 envelopes of gelatin.

From the United Dairy Industry

Nutritional values: A comparison

Food	Amount	Protein	Fat	Calcium	Calories
		grams	*grams*	*milligrams*	
Whole milk	1 cup	9	9	288	160
Skim milk	1 cup	9	trace	296	90
Cheddar cheese	1 ounce	7	9	213	115
Cottage cheese creamed	½ cup	16	5	115	130
Cream cheese	1 ounce	2.3	11	17	108
Lean meat	3 ounces	21	15 or more	9	219

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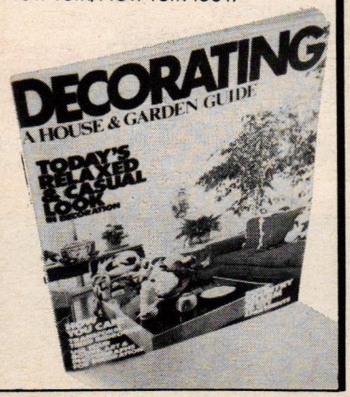


A GREAT AMERICAN IDEA

CELEBRATING THE 1976 BICENTENNIAL

The stargazer's gazetteer

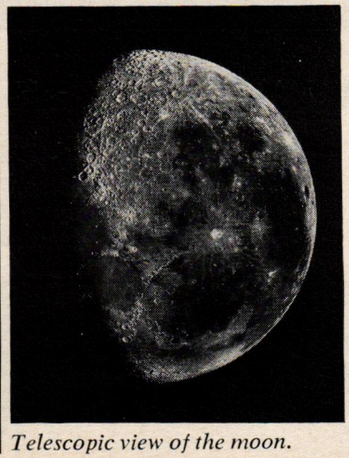
You and your family can look through giant telescopes and enjoy free astronomy programs at observatories all over the United States

By Elin McCoy

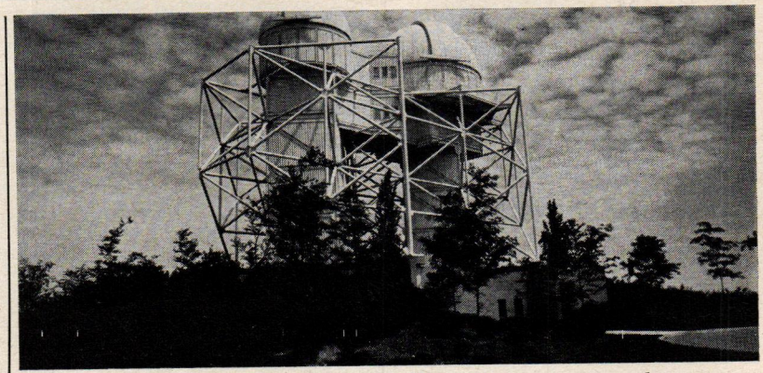
Looked at the stars lately? These days it's not just boy scouts, sailors, and astronomers who do it—psychiatrists, industrial tycoons, and rock guitarists are looking up, too. In Tucson, Ariz., stargazing capital of the United States, the city's lights are dimmed at night so that everyone can stargaze. You may not be a star buff now, but looking through a big telescope is sure to convert you. It's a tremendous, mind-expanding show—and it's free.

If you think that only Carl Sagan gets to see the polar icecaps on Mars through a huge telescope, you're wrong. All over the country, research instruments, including some of the largest, multimillion dollar telescopes, are available for public viewing sessions a few hours a week. Even amateur astronomers who spend hours nightly gazing upward with their own modest, backyard equipment write away for tickets to look through the really big ones—at McDonald Observatory in Fort Davis, Tex., for example, there's usually a several months' waiting list of people who want a peek through its giant 82-inch reflector.

Most people are surprised to learn that there are hundreds of places across the country where the public can look through a large telescope. In every case, the telescope will be either a refractor (what most people think of when they think of a telescope—essentially an enormous spyglass) or a reflector (a telescope employing a large, sometimes huge, curved mirror to gather light). The diameter of the main lens or mirror of a telescope is commonly given as its size; the larger the size, the more light can be gathered, and the more precisely faint objects can be seen.



Telescopic view of the moon.



Dearborn Observatory at Northwestern University houses two telescopes.

Typically, a viewing session will focus on one to a half-dozen or more of the most interesting "celestial objects." Photographs obtained by lengthy time exposures or planetary probes like the Viking mission do offer views of stars and planets unobtainable by any other means, but there is nothing like the impact of actually *seeing* the stars or planets glowing against the infinite darkness of space. A viewer's usual comment about a sight such as the Hercules Cluster is a breathless "wow!". Saturn's perfect rings invariably provoke surprise that the planet could look as spectacular as it does in photographs.

The unique experience of looking through a window on the universe has been made available to the public by many colleges and universities for years. As a community service, their astronomy departments have traditionally offered observatory open house, viewing programs, and lectures, as have a number of large research observatories. Visiting an observatory is a chance to see where and how astronomers work to unravel such mysteries as black holes, quasars, pulsars, and the question of extraterrestrial life, and is one of the few direct glimpses available into scientific research that is reshaping our vision of ourselves, our earth, and the vast universe beyond.

Despite the fact that few are advertised, observatory viewing programs are extremely popular.

Other signs point to solid interest in the stars: The circulation of amateur astronomy magazines is growing, star guides and telescopes are selling briskly, and "star parties" are popular even in cities (I attended a crowded one recently atop the World Trade Center in New York City, sponsored by Hayden Planetarium). While some people are content just to look at the stars on a clear summer night, others are attracted by the fact that astronomy is one of the few sciences where the nonprofessional can make a serious contribution—observing variable stars or discovering comets.

The observatories below are a sampling of the wide variety of facilities and viewing programs available around the country. There is no charge for any of the programs. If one of these isn't near you, don't be discouraged; inquire at the nearest planetarium or at the astronomy department of your local college or university. If you're planning to take the kids, remember that few children under 12 will be capable of really appreciating what they see, particularly if they have to wait in line. When writing for tickets, reservations, or further information, be sure to include a self-addressed stamped envelope. *Always* telephone ahead if the weather is bad when you're scheduled to observe. Viewings are often cancelled in cloudy weather.

THE EAST

Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astro-physics.

Cambridge, Mass.

When open: Scheduled "open nights" during the fall and spring; Friday nights during July and August.

Program: "Open nights" feature lectures by Harvard-Smithsonian staff, a film, and viewing. For these, reservations and tickets are required. Open house during the

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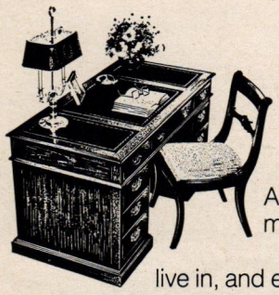

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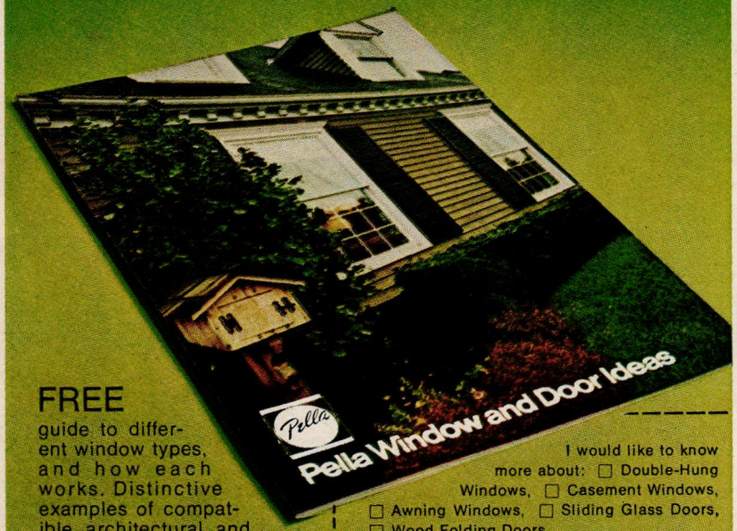

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summer, no reservations required.
For information: For schedule and tickets, write Open Nights, Center for Astrophysics, 60 Garden St., Cambridge, Mass. 02138. For other information, call the Observatory at 617-495-7461.
Remarks: Viewing through a 9-inch reflector. The Center's 15½ inch refractor—at one time one of the largest in existence, known as "The Great Refractor"—is being refurbished and will also be used for viewing this season.

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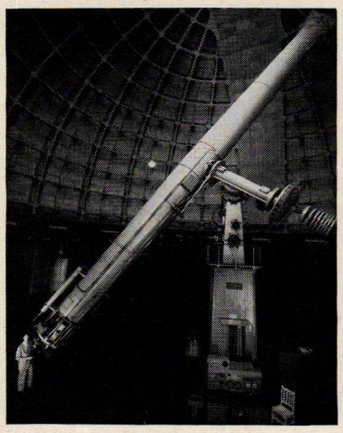

Giant refractor at Lick Observatory in California.

Stamford Observatory

Stamford, Conn.

When open: May to October, Friday night from 8-10, and Sunday afternoon from 2-5 for solar viewing.
Program: Viewing of celestrial objects with astronomer. Open house, no reservation required.
For information: Write or call the curator, Charles Scovi, at The Stamford Observatory, 39 Scofieldtown Rd., Stamford, Conn. 06903 (203-322-1646).
Remarks: This delightful small observatory and its 22-inch reflector were built entirely by the Fairfield County Astronomical Society with materials donated by local industry. It is located at and operated by the Stamford Museum and Nature Center. Parking fee of $1 for Connecticut residents, $2 for nonresidents.

McCormick Observatory

Charlottesville, Va.

When open: First and third Friday of each month: 8-10 P.M. during the school year; 9-11 P.M. during the summer.
Program: General lecture by the astronomy faculty of the University of Virginia, including viewing four or five objects when weather permits. Open house, no reservation required.
For information: Write or call the Department of Astronomy, University of Virginia, Box 3818, Charlottesville, Va. 22903 (804-924-7494).
Remarks: Viewing through a 26-inch reflector.

Ruthurford Observatory

New York, N.Y.

When open: Every Friday night during the school year if weather permits; viewing begins one hour after sunset.
Program: Open house, no reservation required. About one hour of viewing with an astronomy graduate student assisting.
For information: Write or call the Astronomy Department, Columbia University, 116th St. and Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10026 (212-280-3278).
Remarks: Observatory is on the Morningside Heights campus at 120th St. and Broadway. Despite the urban setting, lunar and planetary views through the 12-inch refractor are excellent.

Loines Observatory

Nantucket, Mass.

When open: Wednesday nights during the summer months.
Program: Astronomy lectures and viewing. Evenings are hosted by undergraduate astronomy students from New England colleges who are doing summer research at the observatory.
For information: Call 617-228-9273.
Remarks: Loines is a good example of a small observatory in an unexpected location. Even people who frequently visit Nantucket don't realize there's an observatory on Milk Street extension. Viewing is through an 8-inch refractor.

THE MIDWEST

Dearborn Observatory

Evanston, Ill.

When open: Friday night from April to October. There are two viewings per night, 9-10 and 10-11.
Program: A viewing of selected celestial objects is conducted by an astronomy graduate student. Tickets must be obtained in advance.
For information: Write Dearborn Observatory, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill. 60201 (312-492-7651). Tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis, but requests for specific dates will be honored if possible. As the program is popular, write well in advance. *(Continued on page 68)*

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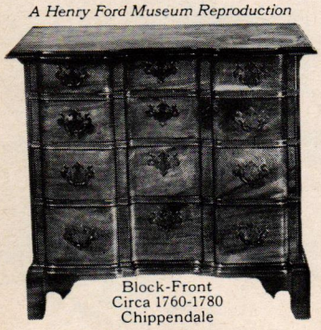

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McDonald Observatory

Fort Davis, Tex.

When open: Last Wednesday night of every month, beginning one hour before sunset.
Program: Begins with a talk by a staff astronomer. A film is shown, and two or three celestial objects are then viewed. Space is very limited; reservations are necessary and the sessions are booked several months in advance.
For information: Write or call McDonald Observatory, Box 1337, Fort Davis, Tex. 79734 (915-426-3263).
Remarks: This research complex provides a huge 82-inch reflector for viewing—the largest telescope open to public viewing in the country. A tour of the facility's other telescopes, including its 107-inch reflector, is offered as well. The observatory is in a very isolated location on a 6,800-foot mountaintop about 200 miles southeast of the nearest large city —El Paso.

Behlen Observatory

Mead, Nebr.

When open: Two Friday evenings a month.
Program: Astronomy faculty and graduate student give a slide talk regardless of weather; includes viewing if weather is clear. Open house, no reservation required.
For information: Contact Prof. Edward Schmidt, Dept. of Physics and Astronomy, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebr. 68588 (402-472-2788). Write for dates, time, and map (observatory is 35 miles from campus).
Remarks: Viewing through 8-inch and 30-inch reflectors. Program draws up to 200 people.

THE WEST

Griffith Observatory and Planetarium

Los Angeles, Cal.

When open: From dusk to 10 P.M. every clear night except Monday.
Program: An astronomer is present to answer questions, and if time permits at least three objects are viewed. Open house, no reservation required.
For information: Write or call Griffith Observatory, Griffith Park, 2800 Observatory Rd., Los Angeles, Cal. 90027 (213-664-1191).
Remarks: Viewing through 6-inch and 12-inch refractors. Griffith also maintains a Hall of Science and a well-known Planetarium, both of which are popular attractions.

Lick Observatory

Mt. Hamilton, Cal.

When open: Friday evening from late June to early September.
Program: Includes a talk on the history and observing program at Lick by the astronomer on duty, and viewing through several telescopes. Tickets must be obtained in advance.
For information: Write to the Visitor Program, Lick Observatory, Mount Hamilton Observing Station, Cal. 95140 (408-274-5061) stating first and second choices of dates and number of tickets required (up to six may be requested.) Write for tickets well in advance.
Remarks: One of the country's major astronomical research facilities, Lick has a fascinating history. It was initiated in the late 19th century by James Lick, an eccentric San Francisco millionaire, and given by him to the University of California. Lick gave his entire fortune to build a telescope more powerful than any then in existence, but never lived to see the 36-inch refractor finished. He is, however, buried in the cornerstone of the observatory (this year is the centenary of his death). Visitors in the summer program view planets and globular clusters through the famous 36-inch refractor, still the second largest in existence. A 12-inch refractor is also available. Those who are interested in seeing Lick's huge 120-

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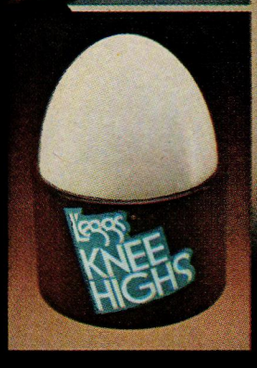

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Program: Viewing of various celestial objects, including requests if time permits. A graduate or post-doctoral astronomy student assists. Limited to 20 people; reservations required. Often booked a week or more in advance.
For information: Department of Astrogeophysics, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colo. 80309 (303-492-8915).
Remarks: Viewing through the observatory's new 24-inch reflector. The observatory is located next to the university's new Fiske Planetarium, and combined programs are planned.

Kitt Peak National Observatory

Tucson, Ariz.

When open: Every day except Christmas, 10 A.M.-4 P.M.
Program: Solar viewing only. Two general guided tours daily, but many people simply walk the self-guided tour. Open house, no reservation required.
For information: Write Kitt Peak National Observatory, P.O. Box 26732, Tucson, Ariz. 85726 (602-795-8266).
Remarks: Tucson is the astronomical capital of the world: Some 35 major research telescopes are nearby, and on Kitt Peak alone (about 52 miles from the city) there are 17. The National Observatory is located at 7,000 feet, and boasts the second largest telescope in the U.S., the 148-inch Mayall reflector. But the most interesting of its large instruments is the McMath, the largest solar telescope in the world. The Visitor's Center at Kitt Peak Observatory has a scaled-down version of the McMath telescope that projects a direct image of the sun 12 inches across, so that visitors can safely observe our own star and its sunspots close up. Last year 85,000 visitors also watched the three major research telescopes being used (the big ones are in use 24 hours a day). ■

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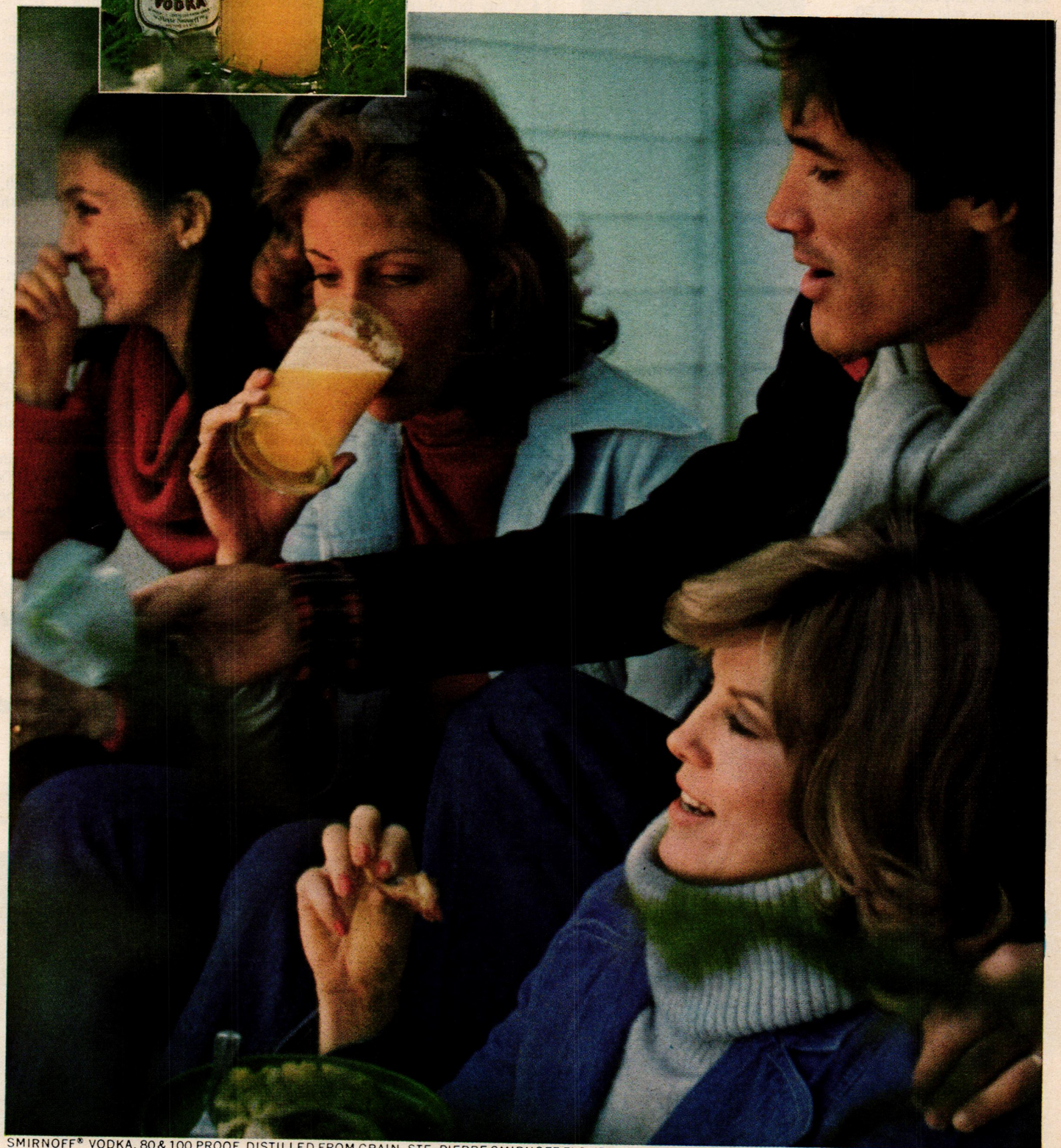

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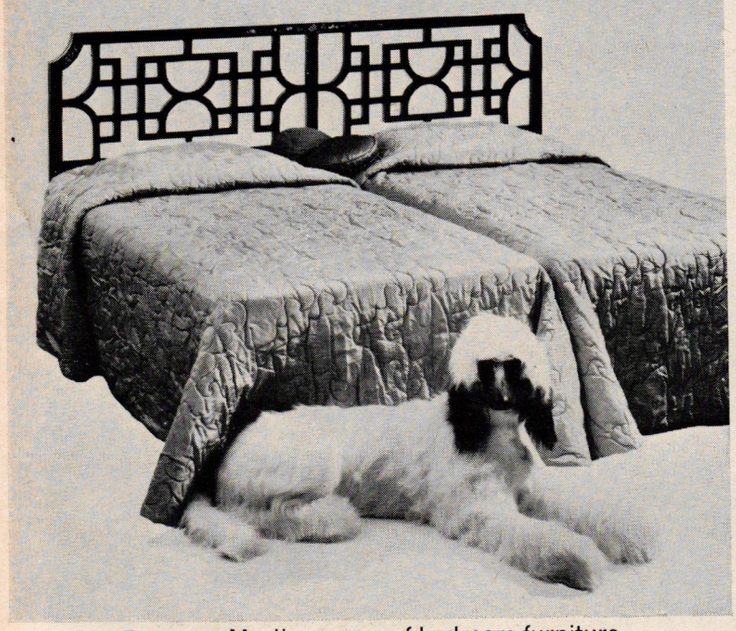

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Capital city sights evoke a strong emotional response from most Americans. For the best short trip, curb your passion to see it all

By Nancy Richardson

A city full of trees—a padding of green that softens the effect of so many white marble buildings. Access to Washington has the same pleasant look of the city itself. Coming into Dulles airport, you fly over the lush, rolling farmland of the Virginia Piedmont and claim your bags in Eero Saarinen's beautiful, contemporary terminal. For Europeans this looks like the America of dreams. Modern architecture at its best, placed in the middle of green fields. Domestic flights come into National Airport. A 10-minute drive from Capitol Hill. A drive that takes you over the Potomac on any one of the several bridges, right into the green expanses of the Mall or under the shadow of the Kennedy Center. The Metroliner arrives at Washington's Union Station, which stands practically under the shadow of the Capitol. The station, arousing memories of luxurious Pullman car travel, exemplifies an era when railroad stations were the best classical architecture in any town. Its central pavilion, a huge arched space inspired by the Arch of Constantine, makes as lofty a waiting room as the Beaux Arts era produced. The first link of Washington's new clean subway starts here and brings you to the surface on Connecticut Avenue where there are major downtown shops and hotels.

Washington is all very accessible; the public is invited to poke around everywhere, to have an opinion on everything, to write a letter to a congressman or the President and get an answer. To get close to the founding myths of America. People coming to Washington are looking to touch "liberty," to have a seat on "democracy," to see a "right" up close under somebody's microscope. Those experiences are there to those who proceed with their physical and intellectual antennae up and twitching. The point is to go over Capitol Hill with a fine-toothed comb, wander over every inch of the Mall, pester the White House guide with questions, and glory in the city lit up at night. Since there's so much to see besides the invisible intangibles, I've taken an arbitrary handle on the horn of plenty and poured out things that any child would want to see, usually a fresh enough way to have a good time, plus whatever Ada Louise Huxtable has looked at in either love or scorn. It's a question of experiencing national mythology through architecture. And lots of architects have fallen on their faces in awe of the requirements. That's the fun of it. An over-view of the

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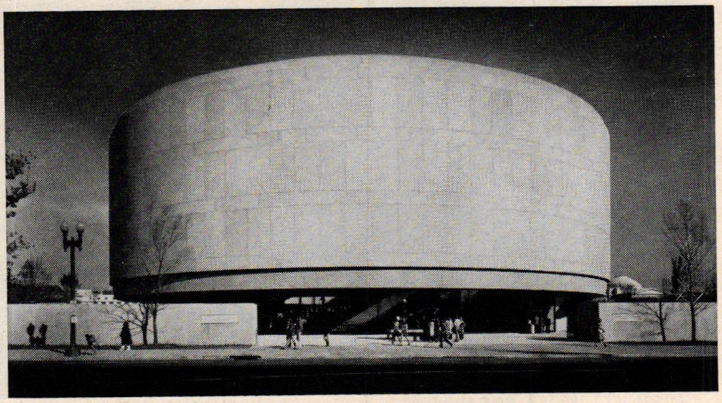

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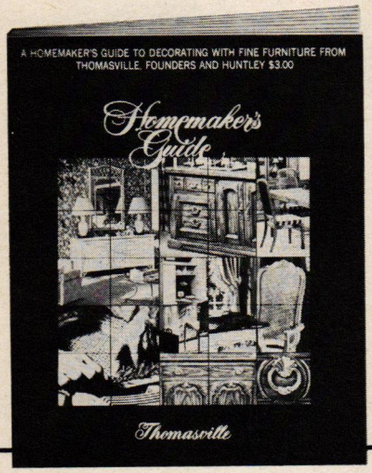

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city's layout and its history will order the part of the city where you're apt to spend the most time.

It was a Frenchman, Major Pierre Charles L'Enfant, a volunteer in the revolutionary army and a friend of George Washington, who came up with a wheel layout and a low skyline for the new capital city. Thomas Jefferson favored a gridiron plan, but L'Enfant found that idea tiresome and unsuitable. He had Paris in mind. An imperial administrator when it came to his vision, L'Enfant was finally dismissed for riding roughshod over people and structures in realizing his dream. His legacy to the city is the monumentality of its layout. And a layout was all there was for a lot of the 19th century when cows roamed the Mall and several of the grand avenues went through swamps.

Washington sits on a low plateau surrounded by hills, the Potomac, and another smaller river. L'Enfant geared his plan to the site. The center of the composition is the Capitol, which sits on a flat-topped rise overlooking everything. A pedestal waiting for a monument, according to L'Enfant. The spokes of the wheel, major boulevards linking the Capitol to the Washington Monument and the White House, radiate from it. These street-spokes divide the city into quadrants: northwest, southwest, etc. Since each section has streets named for numbers and letters, you must know whether you are northwest or southwest in order not to get lost.

Start with the Capitol. To see it afresh, you need to wipe out its familiarity as a symbol of government. Almost every state in the union has copied it for some of its state buildings. What familiarity can't dull is its size and the view of the city it commands. The west front (actually the back of the building) looks straight down the Mall. The view chills its natural grandeur. Even the huge buildings that line the vista have a pleasing scale from here.

The Capitol started off on a tiny scale in sandstone, was burnt by the British in 1814, and had picked up a lot of square feet in marble by 1820. During the Civil War years, it reached its present size and plan —a large dome over a central rotunda with two large wings on either end that run perpendicular to the central axis. In 1875, Frederick Law Olmsted devised terracing to move down the hill from the west front to keep the building from appearing to teeter on its high pedestal. The statuary hall and the rotunda—except for the wonderful huge canvases by John Trumbull of events during and after the Revolution—were slightly disappointing, perhaps more patriotic than anything else. The infectious vitality of the Capitol generates out of both its wings.

Don't fail to visit both the Senate and the House. The physical appearance of the chambers and their members gives immediate clues to the purpose and function of each. The Senate Chamber seems small, full of leather, mahogany, and chandeliers. The antechambers glimpsed through the many doorways that lead out of the chamber are elaborate and European. The senators seem very near—even from the balcony. They move gracefully and are well-dressed as a group. One realizes that most of their faces are familiar, since television has made them into newsstars. The press has wonderful seats in the balcony and an entire working area the size of a city room off each house. They are, by allotments of so much physical space in the Capitol, as written into the legislative process as is either house.

If the Senate is sexist and traditional, the House is the Elks Club. Noisy, relaxed, so much bigger. The members aren't so easy to recognize. But then there are two senators from New York, for example, and 41 representatives. There are no women senators now but about 18 women in the House of Representatives. The House is plain, democratic, and functional. They chose brown as their color.

Nineteenth- and twentieth-century Washington sit side by side all over official Washington. Successes and mistakes date back to the beginning when with L'Enfant's plan and everybody else's approval, 19th-century classicism set the stage for happy and unhappy buildings to come. The problem of architects today has been to keep the classical feeling—the scale, the marble, the high-mindedness—and do it for today. The amount of new building in the last 10 years is staggering and many architects have chosen the wrong swagger. One hears that local people don't even know or care enough not to like what's bad. Regarded as controver-

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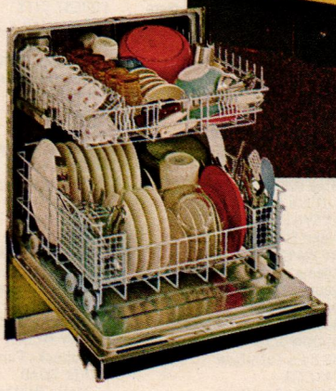

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sial are the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, the Kennedy Center, the Watergate complex next to it, the J. Edgar Hoover building, the Rayburn office building, and others. Standing on the terrace of the Capitol's west front, I found it easy to see why the circular Hirshhorn is described as a bunker or doughnut. For one thing, it's done in sandstone, not marble. Decide for yourself if the building is friendly to the art (paintings are inside—sculpture in the courtyard and across the street in the garden). Does it make any difference that there are no windows on the outside of the museum? (The inside of the circular space is mostly glass.) Does the vastness of the Mall itself overwhelm even large Rodin casts, such as Balzac or the Burghers of Calais? What about the placement of this big shape next to the tidy dimensions of the fairy-tale red brick Gothic home of the original Smithsonian that sits just over the fence?

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Up the Mall from the Smithsonian and the Hirshhorn is the new Air and Space Museum, a progression of white, windowless, marble blocks several stories high, connected and separated by huge sections of bronze glass. Through these clear, dark glass hangars one can see 50 years of flying machines strung up like so many bumblebees flying in formation. The view into these museum hangers is especially effective from the top of the step leading up to the National Gallery directly across the Mall. A Beaux Arts building designed by John Russell Pope and completed in 1941, the National Gallery was the last Beaux Arts palace built along the Mall and probably the best, though at the time it was built it was criticized for not being modern enough.

Separated from Pope's white marble palace by Fourth Street is an odd, trapezoidal plot of land formed by Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues as they converge on the Capitol. Here, nearly complete, is what Ada Louise Huxtable described as a "great building for all time" when she saw the plans in 1971. Her lead that Sunday in July gives an idea of what a New York critic thinks of recent Washington architecture "Washington is finally going to have a good 20th-century building." Breaking down an awkward trapezoid into two sleek triangles aligned to fill the space, I.M.Pei manages to mimic the principles of neoclassicism while building a modern building that has a lot of glass, levels, and towers. In height, in axis, in symmetry, and in a similar white marble, old and new conform. A marble plaza connects them and underneath it a large concourse is lit by skylights that work like sculpture on the surface. This fall the restaurants in the concourse will be open, and, with the help of the people who conceived Zum Zum and Four Seasons in New York City, will add good food to its list of excellences.

If your walking tour of Capitol Hill and the Mall turned out to be a hike, you'll be relieved to find that a block is still just a block around the White House. This is one of the most charming parts of official Washington. You'll find yourself feeling that the White House is a place you might comfortably live in, and so is Blair House, and so are a lot of the other town houses across the street.

The grass at the White House is so perfect that my first desire was to walk through it barefoot. The texture is even, it looks soft to the touch, and it's not cropped close like a putting green. A real prototype of a lawn. The earth also smells fresh here on Pennsylvania Avenue especially after things have just been watered and the driveway hosed to clear off fallen leaves. There are lots of big trees: elms, little leaf linden, all sorts of oak, magnolia, all grown tall and bushy. In comparison with early pictures of the White House looking rather bare and bolt upright, today the gardens and the grounds fully balance the house itself. It is an American country house with Palladian parts. More than that, it is a well-groomed, slightly Southern place on a larger scale than what most prosperous grandmothers have as a setup. Interestingly, for me at least, it exuded a tranquility that's usually the genius of dowagers rather than politicians.

Two Presidents who had worked out this same feeling of well-being in their own houses were Washington and Jefferson. Washington chose and surveyed the site for the White House, and planned for porticos, pavilions, and a third floor to be added later. Jefferson designed underground wings reminiscent of Monticello, which weren't used finally. He also chose

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Benjamin Henry Latrobe, an Englishman already at work elsewhere in the new Capitol, to do more work. It was the Monroes who were the first to live in the White House after the British burned it and it was rebuilt. Like Jefferson, they were fond of French furniture and brought it into the White House. On the first floor, three smallish sitting rooms decorated in American and French Empire colors and furniture make a corridor between the two large rooms on either end. One is the state dining room, which was enlarged by McKim, Meade and White for Theodore Roosevelt. The other, the East Room, done in white and gold, is the largest, and runs the width of the house. One can understand why the people on the tour feel the house belongs to them. The ceilings are high, but none of the rooms is intimidating. Their decoration makes a digest of American taste. In general the best architects and decorators had a crack at updating as administrations came and went. That some presidents had more talent for living than others is the democracy of it.

One reason the White House looks as if it's on so much land right in the center of Washington is that Lafayette Park fills a square directly across Pennsylvania Avenue. It's a pleasant place to sit and look at the front of the White House from a short distance—it's impossible to get a good look from a car, and loitering in front of the wrought-iron fence is regarded as suspicious behavior. But just across the street peeping is legitimate sport. It may amuse some people to see if the Fords keep the window shades in their living quarters at the same height from room to room. They don't. The park is the center of a several block area where human scale dominates the monumental. Rimming the park are house-houses and office-houses, some Federal, some in the Federal style, some modern versions still in brick. None is thick or wide or more than 6 stories. The Hay-Adams Hotel (right out of the row of old-fashioned hotels along Lake Geneva) and Saint John's Church, once a tiny perfect Greek cross shape by Latrobe, top the square. Around the corner along Pennsylvania Avenue is the high-stooped Blair House. Its beautiful wrought-iron fence protects beds of hyacinth whose scent lingers for the length of the block up to the red brick Renwick Gallery with its wonderful staircase. From the door of the Renwick one sees the old Executive Office Building on the White House's west flank. Recently it contained the offices of John Dean, E. Howard Hunt, Charles Colson. Room 16 in the basement was used by the Plumbers, who planned the raid on Ellsberg's psychiatrist's office. It is not open to the public.

The Sans Souci is 50 yards away. People in Washington make a big fuss over this restaurant. Perhaps since it makes almost another government cafeteria—grandluxe French grade—by being so close to the Executive Office Buildings, old and new. This means government bigwigs come often for lunch, which in turn attracts press bigwigs, and goodlooking women, often principals themselves. The action is the people—32 tables with a seating capacity of 110. And at lunch time almost half have standing reservations. Paul, the maître d', is treated with slavishness by his customers as is necessary when the demand so far exceeds supply. The room itself is quite charming, with green leather banquettes; the main area is several steps down so that one sees the whole restaurant and all the people in a moment as one comes in. The day I went, Nancy Kissinger, Clifton Daniels, and Barbara Walters had pinned down the most important tables. Go late or very early for lunch and you might get a table, or try dinner when the competition cools off.

A 3-minute drive from the White House puts you under the shadow of a massive center for the performing arts that was finished in 1971 and made the critics (and not just the critics) rage and wring their hands. Edward Durrell Stone's Kennedy Center is just huge. Big enough for three theatres under one roof. And reviews aside, the place is full all day long with people eating at the restaurants, going to movies, matinees, and to all of the theatres at night. It's clearly a center that Washington starved for. On warm sunny days racing shells ply the surface of the Potomac like waterbugs. The opposite bank and the shrubbery island wedged somehow in midstream are green and attractively overgrown. Breezes come off the river night and day giving the feeling that the Kennedy Center is

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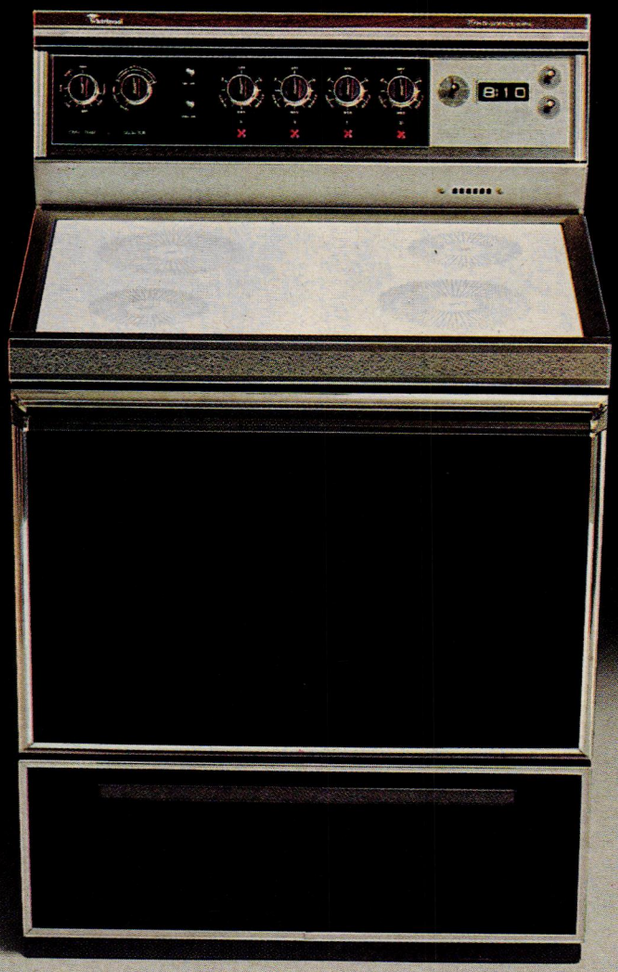

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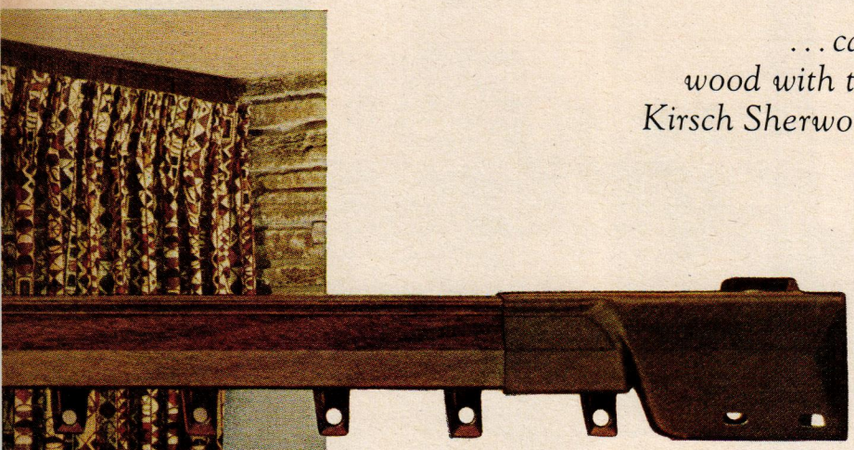

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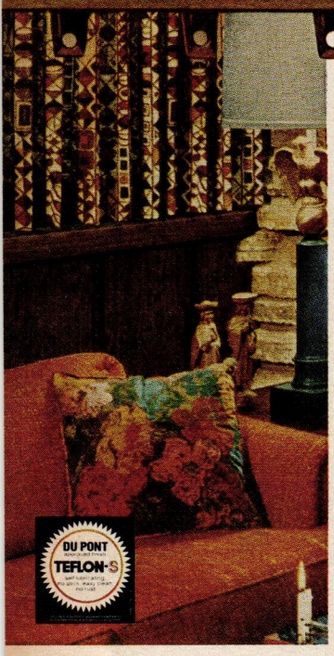

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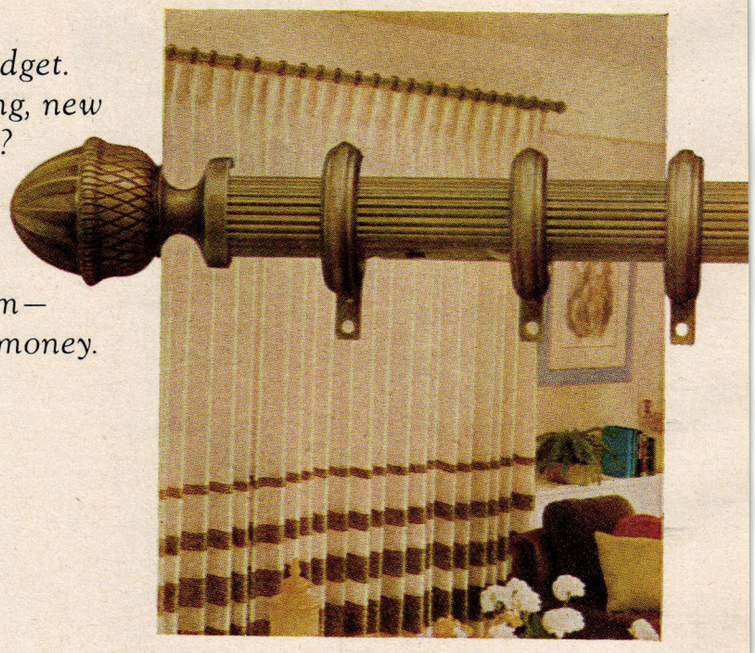

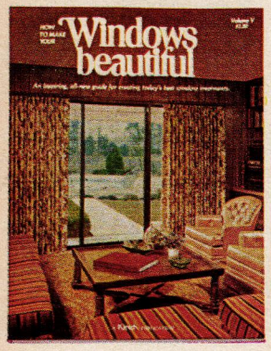

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perhaps because Georgetown is also the residential center of a Washington that at the end of the day, or an administration, or a tour of duty, remains a very small town at its core. It actually has the feel of a resort, since so many people live there temporarily or for a few months out of the year. There are some marvelous little shops but few of big-city quality. It's the grocery stores and catering outfits that are so good and indicate that there's a lot of entertaining. Try the French Market for French everything—fruit syrups for drinks, cheeses, croissants, snails already stuffed with garlic butter and parsley, pork and veal pâté, praline fondant as a base for sweets. The atmosphere is straight out of the cheerful parts of *Gigi* with Maurice Chevalier wearing the butcher smock. Neams Market is also good and stocks Smithfield hams, which they'll send. The Boucherie Bernard, a butcher shop with black-and-white tile and stainless steel throughout, looks like a Valentino boutique. There's no mess and no odor since every piece of meat in the place comes from a restaurant supply place that freezes the best cuts at 50 below zero and vacuum seals them in special nylon bags. It's beautiful meat—the color is so fresh and perfect—so cosmetic because it was frozen so fresh and superfast. To look at the veal is to know what the term milk-fed means. Stop by on your way to the airport and take some home. It takes 4 to 5 hours to thaw.

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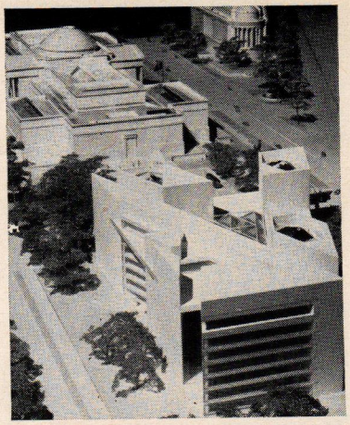

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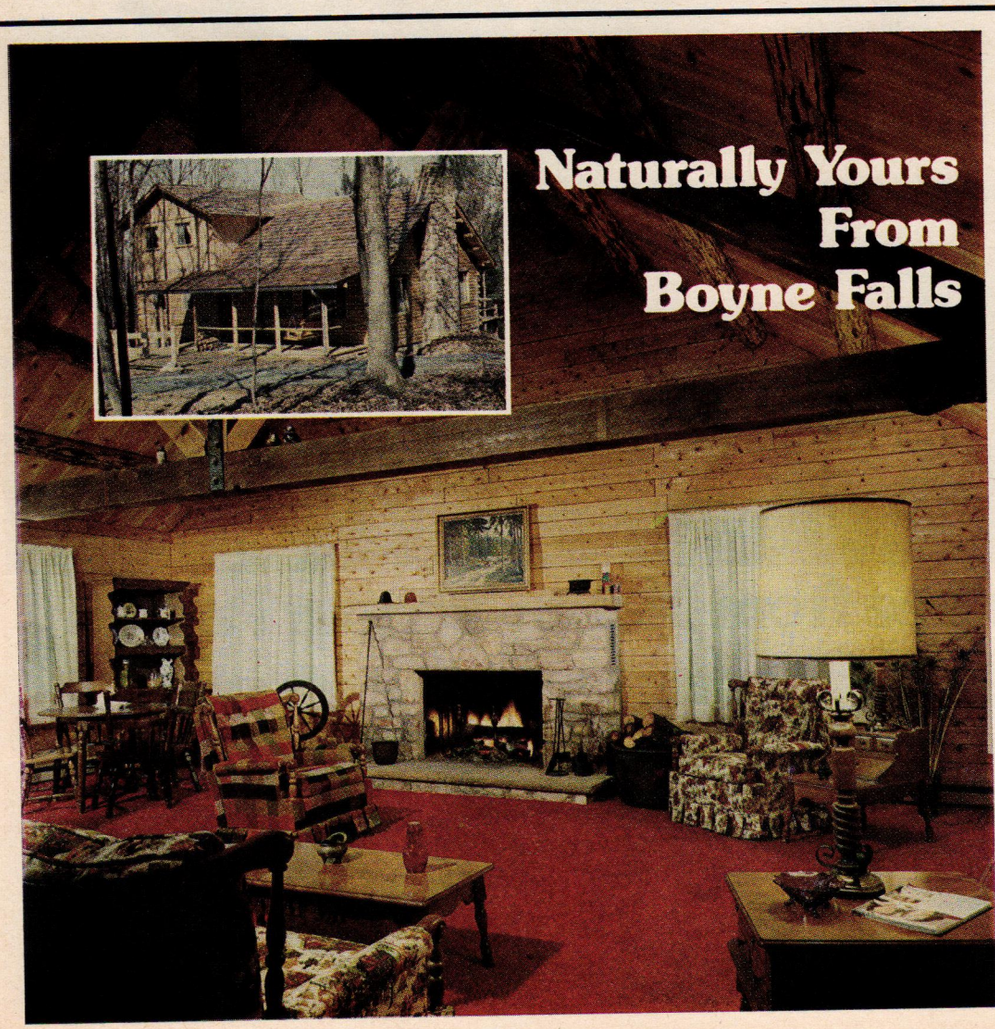

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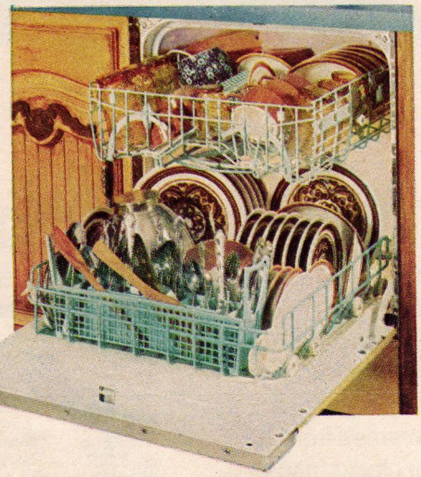

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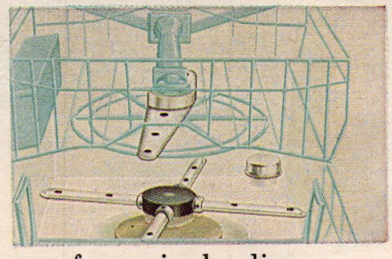

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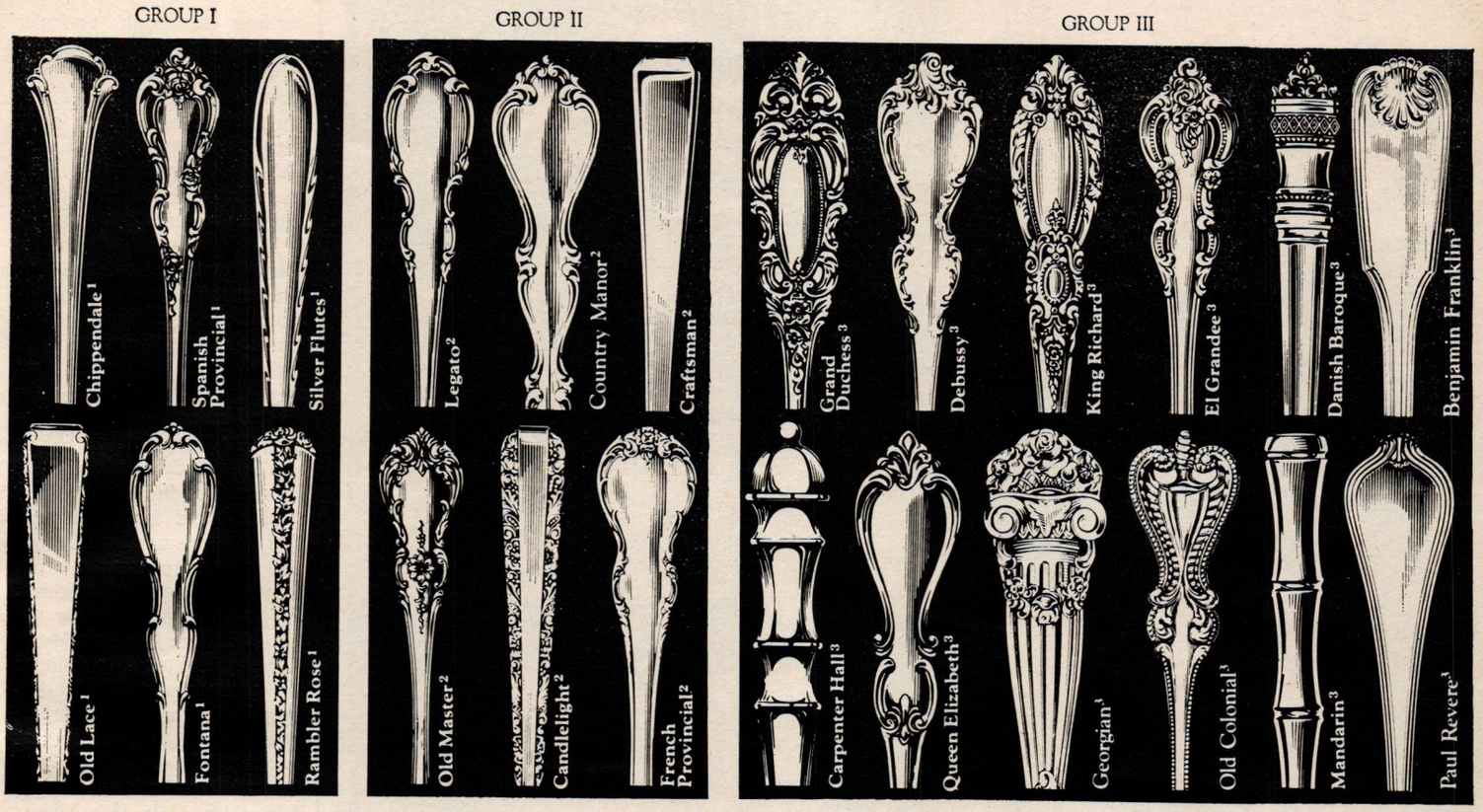

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The best way to see the Capitol and the Congress is to write your senator or representative several weeks in advance. His staff can arrange for you to sit in on committee meetings or special hearings that go on in the morning before the more formal House and Senate sessions that begin at noon. The *Washington Post* publishes the day's schedule. The congressman's office can also arrange for tours to other points of interest around town. If you'd like to stay near the Capitol, there is a new Hyatt Regency Hotel two blocks away, complete with the skylight-roofed, garden-court lobby now almost a trademark of this hotel chain.

If you'd rather stay near the White House, the Hay Adams has some large, beautiful rooms that overlook the White House. One in particular, No. 444, a large bed-sitting room, has just been redone in flower colors. The Madison Hotel on 15th and M Streets is perhaps the best hotel, if your taste runs to its New York equivalents, the Pierre and the Carlyle.

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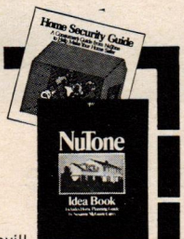

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For the house fixer

How to protect your house from winter winds, ready-made shades in custom widths, a handy automatic thermostat control

AVOIDING THE DRAFT

By Deanne Raffel

Remember the chill last year in your drafty den on a blustery winter night? It is time to start preparing for frost and winter winds.

Take inventory of your house with cold drafts in mind—are there broken storm windows, cracks around exterior doors, air conditioners with gaping air holes to the outside?

Wooden storm windows and doors are reglazed like any other sashes (see October House Fixer for directions). However, aluminum storm windows are handled a little differently. If the pane is badly shattered, with gloves covering your hands, remove the glass from the metal frame while it is still in an upright position. Then pull out the rubber spline that held the pane in place. If most of the glass is intact and only cracked, lift the frame from its track. Lay it on a sheet of newspaper, extract the spline, and then remove the glass. Small splinters must be chipped off the aluminum. Dip a cloth in lacquer-thinner and wipe the glass bed completely clean. Take the frame to a glazier, hardware store, or lumberyard and have a new pane cut. At present, most states require plastic or safety glass for storm doors, so be prepared to pay a hefty price. Also purchase a tube of rubber or contact cement. Run a small bead around the glass groove. Set the pane in place while the adhesive is still wet. Then resecure the spline by pressing it into its track, and return the frame to its home.

Remove the front cover from air conditioners and thoroughly vacuum the insides and filters. Stuff the sides and front of each unit with plastic sheeting (cleaners' garment bags work well for this), and replace the cover.

Air spaces can be closed with various types of weather stripping. Two of the best are self-sticking closed-cell foam tape and heavy poly tape. Both are available in several widths, can be cut easily, and can be installed even by those with two left hands. The poly tape is especially effective for bridging large areas around windows and cooling units.

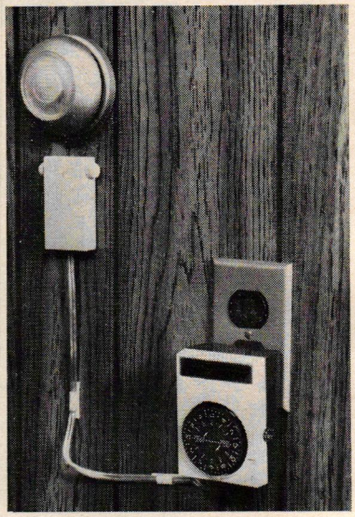
Stop drafts around doors with foam tape. Close the door and place the tape on the jamb tight up against the door. To seal drafty wood-frame windows, affix a length of foam across the top of the upper sash and also on the bottom edge of the lower frame. If windows are tightly closed, this should prevent cold air from seeping inside.

To block the wicked wind that creeps underneath the door, use weather stripping tacked near the bottom edge of the interior side. Made of aluminum, plus a strip of rubber, felt, or foam, it is easily cut and attached to the door.

Air gaps around the trim on the exterior of the house should be filled with a sealer—preferably silicone—that is packaged in a cartridge and applied with a caulking gun. Insert the package in the gun, snip off the end of the tube, and squeeze the trigger. Out oozes the sealer.

If you follow these steps, you should enjoy a cozy, warm winter.

Bringing down the bills



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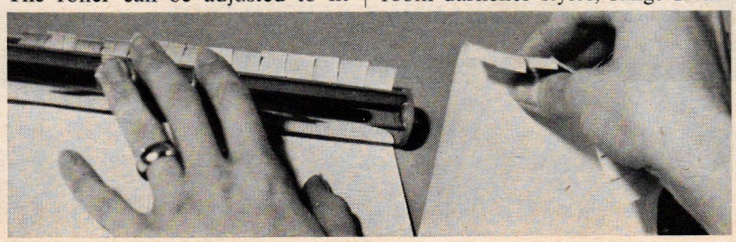
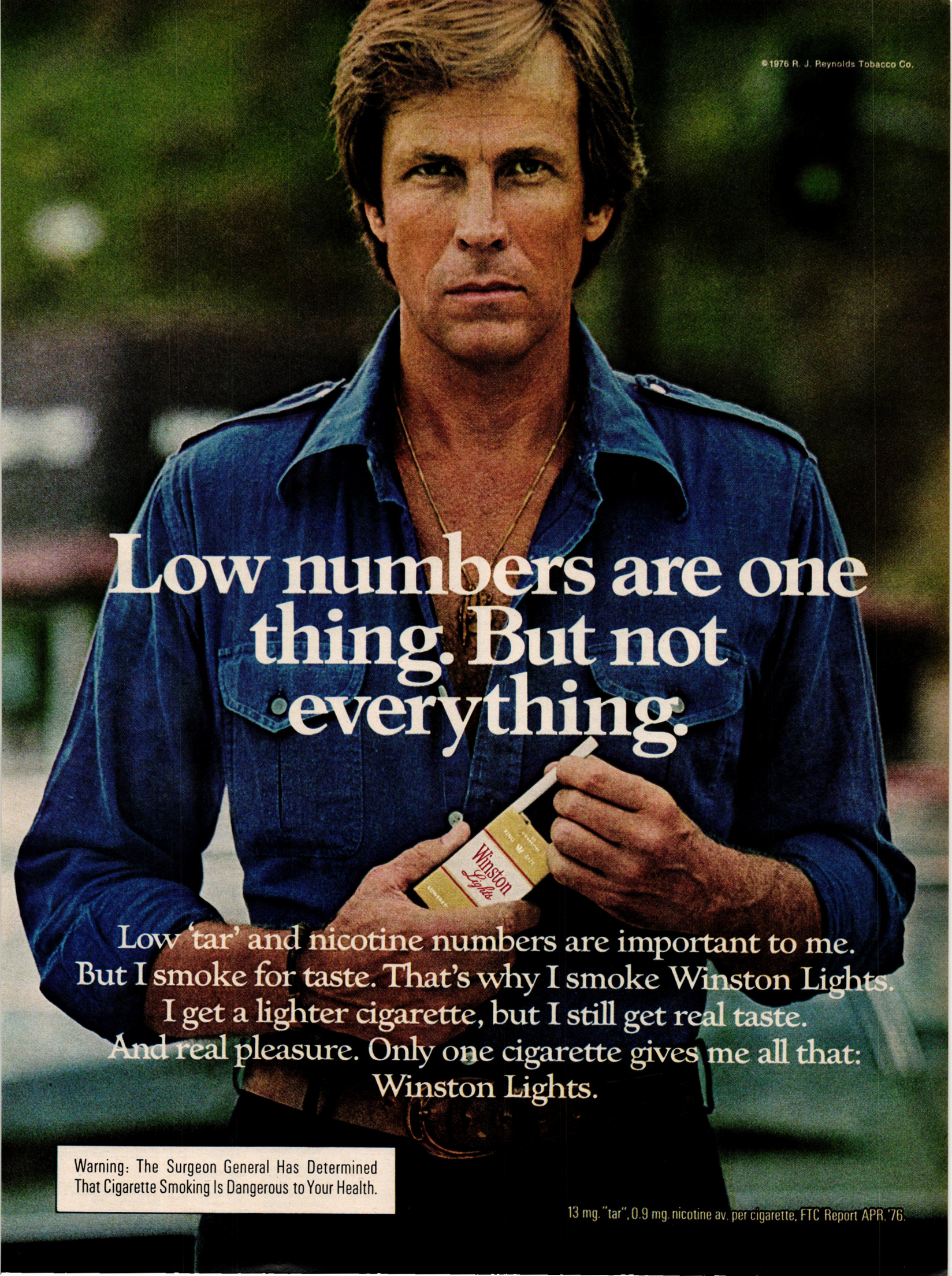
A shady deal

Pull-down vinyl window shades that you fit to the width of your windows are available now. They come in basic sizes to fit all windows from 15 to 73¼ inches wide. The roller can be adjusted to fit the window-shade brackets in the window frames. Then the shade itself can be stripped to the size you want—you pull the appropriate trim tab and discard the excess shade material. Finally, you press the vinyl shade firmly to the roller. Three qualities, in translucent or room darkener styles, range from $3.90 to $5.90. Lengths are 12 to 20 inches. Newell Window Products Co., 916 S. Arcade Ave., Freeport, Ill. 61032.

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Sweet charity—baking for a good cause

Fund-raising recipes from famous households

Homemade food, beautifully packaged, has great appeal, whether it is an unexpected gift for the hostess, for a friend at Christmas, or an item for sale at a charity bazaar. Homemade-food stalls do a brisk business these days. Here are some recipes for very salable items, and incidentally, irresistible gifts, made for the Lenox Hill Neighborhood Association Benefit in New York (read more about it on page 145). From soups to nut mixtures, creamy fudge to a toffee shortbread, they have bonus appeal with clever packaging ideas from members of the committee. Soups and sauces they packed into mason jars tied with black-and-white-striped ribbon and brightly labeled. Clear plastic boxes or shallow baskets were used to show off cookies and home-baked breads and cakes. Brightly patterned tin boxes were used for nut mixtures and candies.

Crunchy granola cereal

FROM MRS. MONTAGUE H. HACKETT JR.

Ingredients

6 cups rolled oats
2 cups shredded coconut
2 cups wheat germ (untoasted)
1 cup sunflower seeds
1 cup sesame seeds
1½ cups chopped nuts (pecans, walnuts, almonds)
¾ cup honey
¾ cup hot water
2 tablespoons oil
1 teaspoon vanilla

Method

☐ Preheat oven to 250°. In a large bowl mix oats, coconut, wheat germ, seeds and nuts together.

☐ In a saucepan melt honey in the water. Add oil and vanilla. Combine with the dry ingredients. Spread mixture in a heavily oiled roasting pan and bake for about 1 hour until brown. Stir mixture every 10-15 minutes to brown it evenly. Remove pan from oven and cool. Store cereal in an airtight container. Makes 13½ cups.

Jenny's toffee shortbread

BY JANET MACFARLANE, FROM THE KITCHEN OF MRS. WILLIAM PALEY

Ingredients

½ pound butter
6 tablespoons sugar
1 cup flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 tablespoon light Karo syrup
1 can condensed milk
4 ounces semisweet chocolate

Method

☐ Preheat oven to 350°. In a bowl cream ¼ pound butter and 2 tablespoons sugar together. Fold in flour and baking powder. Spread mixture over the bottom of a 9 by 9 by 1¾-inch pan. Bake for about 25 minutes; the color of the shortbread should be a very pale tan. Cool.

☐ In a heavy saucepan add remaining butter, sugar, Karo syrup, and milk and bring mixture to a boil. Slowly boil mixture until it heavily coats a wooden spoon (about 15 minutes); stir frequently. Spread filling over cold shortbread and allow to cool.

☐ Melt chocolate and spread evenly on top of filling. Let layers set. Makes 24 pieces.

Creamy fudge

FROM MRS. MICHAEL THOMAS

Ingredients

1½ cups sugar
⅔ cup evaporated milk
8 ounces semisweet chocolate, cut into pieces
½ cup marshmallows, cut into pieces
¼ cup butter, cut into pieces
½ teaspoon vanilla
½ cup nuts, chopped

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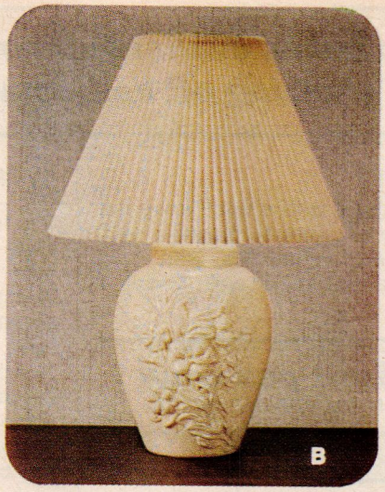

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Method

☐ In a large heavy saucepan place sugar and evaporated milk; combine, and bring to the boil, stirring constantly. Boil over low heat 10 minutes.

☐ Remove pan from heat and immediately add chocolate, marshmallows, butter, vanilla, and nuts. Stir quickly until all the ingredients have melted. Pour mixture into an 8-inch-square buttered pan. Cool. Cut in squares. Makes about 2 pounds.

Lorenzo dressing

FROM MRS. FREDERICK MELHADO

Ingredients

6 tablespoons Italian olive oil
2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
salt and freshly ground pepper, to taste
2 tablespoons watercress, finely chopped
2 tablespoons chili sauce

Method

☐ In a jar with a tight fitting lid, place oil, vinegar, mustard, salt, pepper, watercress, and chili sauce and shake well. Makes 1 cup.

Split pea soup

FROM MRS. J. F. BYERS

Ingredients

ham bone (preferably with some ham left on it)
12 cups water
1 box split peas, rinsed
2 carrots, chopped
1 large onion, chopped
celery leaves (top part of leaves from one head)
garlic clove, cut in half but not peeled
1 bay leaf
½ teaspoon thyme
6 peppercorns
1 can beef broth (approx. 1½ cups) or beef bouillon cube
salt, pepper

Method

☐ Combine all ingredients except beef broth, salt, and pepper in large pot and simmer covered, stirring occasionally, for 3-4 hours. Add more water if soup gets too thick. Remove ham bone, pull off remaining meat and chop. Put soup through strainer, add pieces of cut-up ham.

☐ Add beef stock and salt and pepper to taste. Heat through, serve. Makes about 2 quarts.

☐ *Optional:* Cut-up tiny hot dogs can be added to the soup if you wish.

Spaghetti sauce

FROM JAMES G. NIVEN

Ingredients

3 tablespoons olive oil
3 onions, chopped
2 cloves garlic, sliced
1 teaspoon dried rosemary
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
2 carrots, chopped
3 sticks celery, chopped
1 green pepper, chopped
6 large tomatoes, peeled or 1 32-ounce can of Italian tomatoes with basil
½ teaspoon thyme
2 tablespoons fresh basil, chopped
salt, pepper
⅛ teaspoon red pepper flakes

Method

☐ In a large skillet heat oil and add onions, garlic, rosemary, Worcestershire sauce and cook for about 5 minutes. Add carrots, celery, pepper and cook mixture for an additional 5 minutes.

☐ Chop the tomatoes coarsely, retaining all the juices, and add to the pan. Add thyme, basil, salt, pepper, and red pepper flakes and bring mixture to a boil. Reduce the heat and simmer very slowly for at least 1 hour. Serves 6-8.

Boeuf bourguignon

BY ROMAIN SEMPE, FROM THE KITCHEN OF MRS. WILLIAM PALEY

Ingredients

¼ pound slab bacon, coarsely cubed
1½ teaspoons olive oil
1½ teaspoon Crisco oil
2 pounds lean stewing beef,

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from leg, or ½ from leg and ½ from neck, cut into cubes
1 pound small onions, peeled
1 tablespoon flour
1 clove garlic, finely minced
1 quart red wine
beef broth
1 tablespoon tomato paste
¼ pound mushrooms, quartered
salt, pepper, to taste
Kitchen Bouquet (optional)

Method

☐ Preheat oven to 325°. In a casserole sauté bacon in the oils over moderate heat and brown lightly—do not let it get crisp. Remove bacon from pan and set aside.

☐ Dry beef in paper towels and sauté it with the onions in the hot oils and bacon fat until browned on all sides; add meat and onions to the bacon. Add flour to casserole and stir it into the juices carefully; be careful it doesn't burn. Add garlic.

☐ Return bacon, meat, and onions to pan and cover with wine and enough broth to barely cover meat. Add tomato paste, cover casserole, and cook for about 2 hours in oven or on top of the stove (heat should be regulated so liquid simmers very slowly). Meat is done when it is easily pierced.

☐ About 15 minutes before stew is done, add mushrooms, salt and pepper. Do not oversalt. If sauce is not brown enough, add Kitchen Bouquet. Serves 8.

Cream of zucchini soup

FROM MRS. JOAN HOWARD

Ingredients

2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons shallots, finely chopped
1 clove garlic, minced
1 pound young zucchini, cleaned, sliced thin
1 teaspoon curry powder
½ teaspoon salt
½ cup heavy cream
1¾ cups chicken broth

Method

☐ In a skillet heat butter and add shallots, garlic, and zucchini. Cover pan tightly and simmer ingredients for about 10 minutes. Shake pan every few minutes; do not let vegetables brown.

☐ Place mixture in a blender or food processor and add curry powder, salt, cream, and broth. Blend mixture ½ minute. Chill. Serves 4.

Applesauce brûlée Eugénie

FROM MRS. MICHAEL THOMAS

Ingredients

6-8 green cooking apples, cored and quartered
½ cup water
sugar, to taste
brown sugar

Method

☐ In a saucepan place apples and water. Cover and simmer slowly until tender when pierced with a fork. Force pulp through food mill, add sugar to taste.

☐ Preheat broiler. Divide mixture into ramekins or put into a large shallow fireproof dish and sprinkle with brown sugar. Place under the broiler until sugar bubbles. Serves 6.

Vermicelli Uzielli

FROM P. A. UZIELLI

Ingredients

2 large onions, sliced
4 cloves garlic, finely chopped
olive oil
10 juicy medium tomatoes, peeled, cut in wedges, and seeded
2 tablespoons fresh basil, chopped, or more to taste
1 bay leaf
salt, pepper
1 box (1 pound) De Cecco vermicelli (Fedelini #10)
freshly grated Parmesan cheese

Method

☐ In a large heavy saucepan, cook the onions and garlic in olive oil until transparent. Add tomatoes, basil, bay leaf, and salt and pepper to taste. Simmer for 15 minutes.

☐ Cook pasta in 4 quarts rapidly boiling salted water for 5½ minutes, or until it is still firm. Drain.

☐ Toss pasta with the sauce, adding enough liquid initially to separate pasta strands; then pour bulk of sauce over pasta. Top with freshly grated Parmesan cheese. Serve immediately. Serves 4.

Nuts and raisins mixture

FROM MRS. MONTAGUE H. HACKETT JR.

Ingredients

⅓ cup salted cashew nuts
⅓ cup salted cocktail peanuts
⅓ cup almonds, blanched, toasted, and slivered
⅓ cup pignola nuts
1⅓ cups dark raisins

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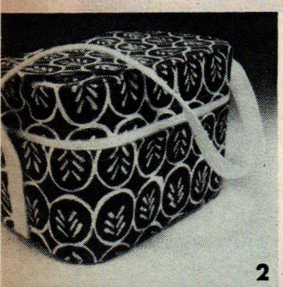
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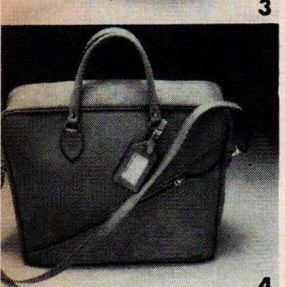
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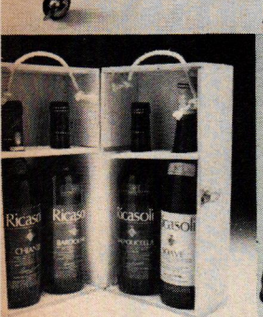
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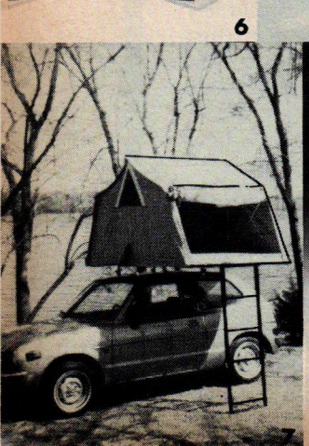
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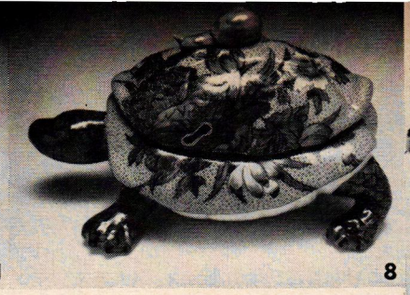
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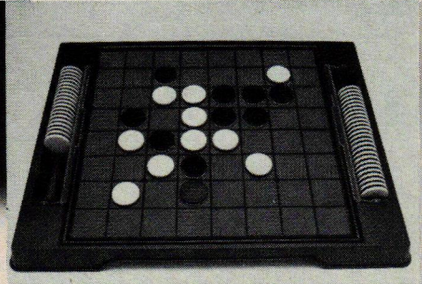
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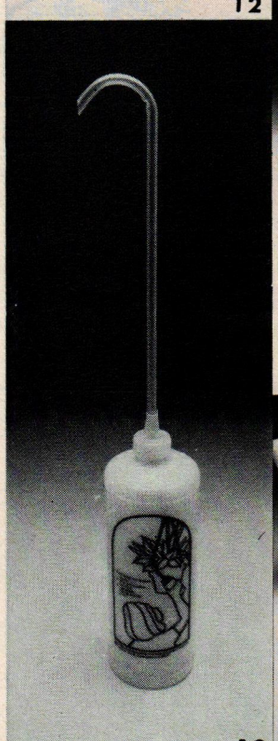
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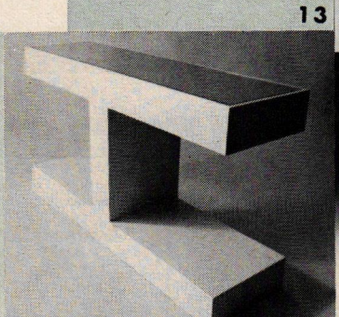
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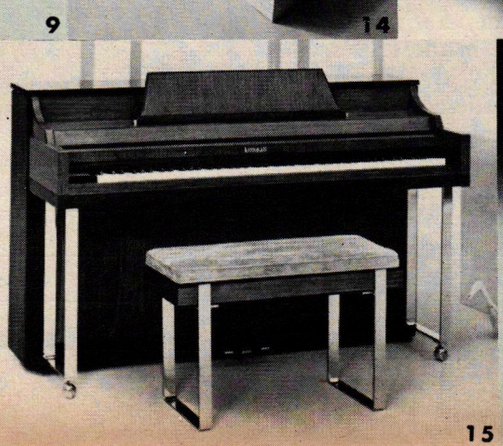
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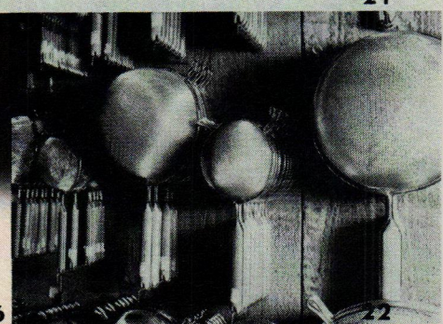
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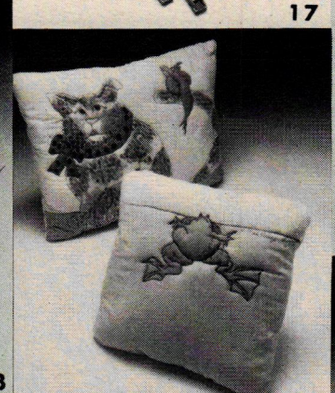
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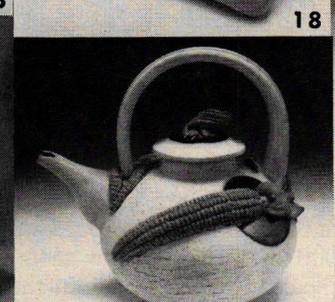
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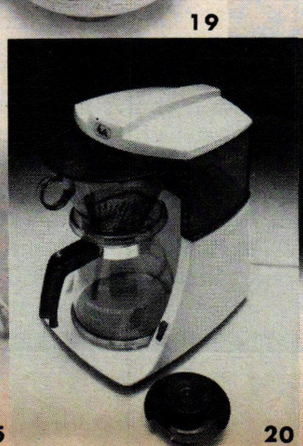
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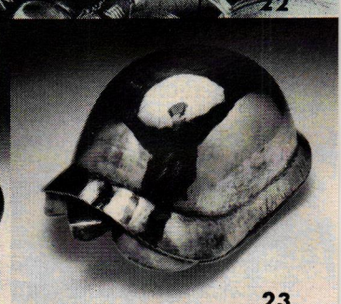
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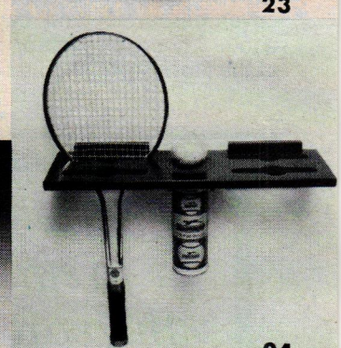
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The Real Spirit of Christmas

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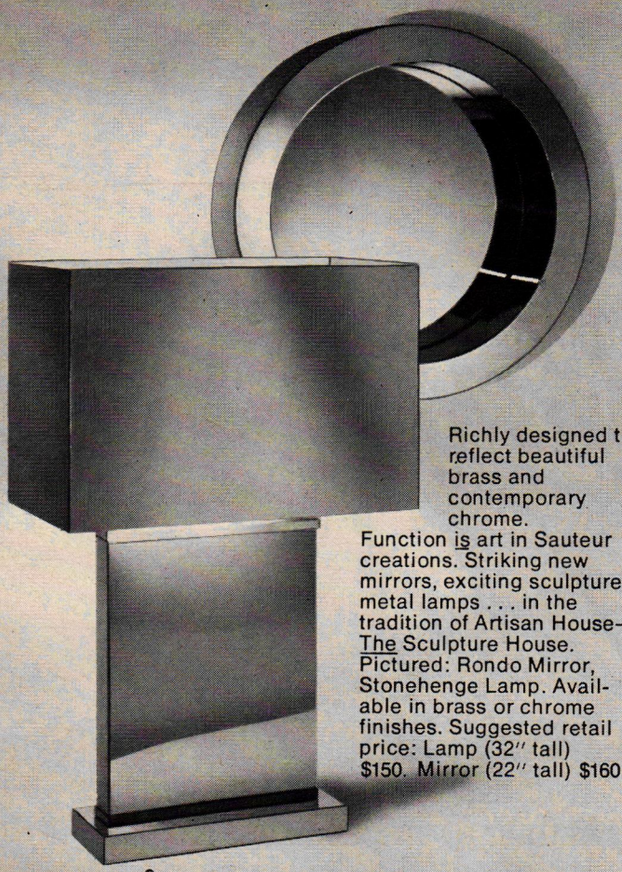

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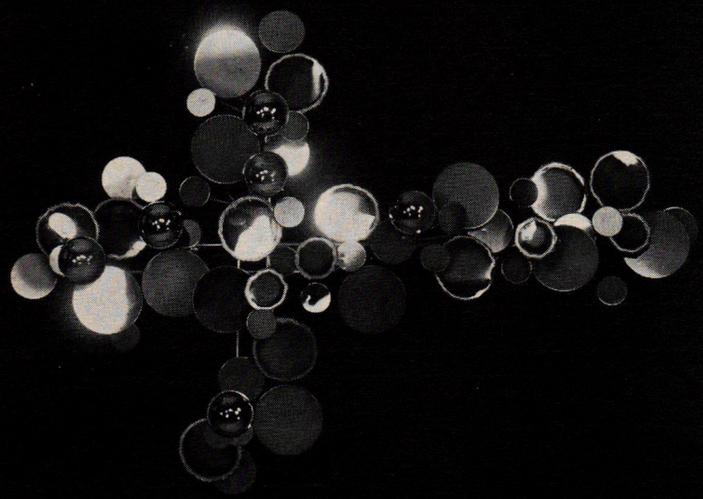

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HOUSE GIFTS

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Cook double, then freeze what's left over in watertight, plastic bags. Seal the bags shut with the **"Super Sealobag," 1,** then reheat by popping the frozen bag in boiling water. White base with gold trim; can be wall-hung or used on counter. Complete with 25 feet of plastic to make watertight bags the size you need them. $29.95. By Hamilton Beach, available in December at Marshall Field . . . Pretty, practical and extra-portable because of its unusually long handle—a **picnic cooler, 2,** of blue-and-white canvas covered plastic foam, zips tightly closed. 7½ inches high, 10½ wide, 7 deep. $19.50 ppd. At Marblehead Handprints. . . . If this was the year of the wok, next year looks like the year of the crêpe pan—so jump on the bandwagon with an **electric crêpe maker, 3,** that can double as a frying pan. Both sides Teflon-coated for easy cleaning. With recipe book to make you a master. $29.95. "M'sieur Crêpe" by Sunbeam, at Bamberger's . . . Tennis anyone? Anywhere? Easy with a **cowhide sport bag, 4,** that holds 2 rackets and ample travel gear. Beige washable lining, detachable shoulder strap. 18 inches long, 16 high, 4 deep. $125 ppd. T. Anthony . . . To wheel anywhere you need it for work space or serving, a **pantry table, 5,** with butcher-block top, 24 inches square (other sizes available). With casters, $170. From J&D Brauner . . . **6, a quartet of Italian wines**—Valpolicella, Bardolino, Chianti, Soave—to quaff with your favorite pasta. The four 24-ounce bottles come in Ricasoli's wood gift box. The works, $12. At Park Avenue Liquor Shop . . . Hit the road with a **canvas air camper, 7,** that fits any model car, opens in 2 minutes flat, and provides 4 by 7 feet of sleeping space. $239.95 plus motor freight (115 lbs.), from Air Campers . . . Pretty special—a **handpainted porcelain turtle box from France, 8,** 10 inches long for your favorite table. $298.75 ppd. 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Designed by Donald Cameron. $895 from Parzinger* . . . "Play it, Sam" or anyone else, on the **walnut spinet piano, 15,** with mirror chrome legs. 37 inches high, 57½ across the ivories. $1400, by Kimball. . . . Swoosh on paints, varnishes, even, if necessary, pesticides with an **electric airless spray gun, 16.** Weighs 3¾ pounds. $139. The Wagner ST-350, at Janovic/Plaza . . . Save money, have fun—**develop your own pictures, 17.** Photo Phase I Basic Developing and Printing Kit by Cinemagnetics contains all you need. $12.79. At The Camera Barn . . . Square but in no way "square"—20-inch **pillows, 18,** with animal whimsies quilted on them. "Brown Cat and Bird," $40; "One Frog," $24. By Laughing Moose, at Neiman-Marcus . . . No two alike—**clay teapot, 19,** in faintly Oriental mood. Made to order. $140. By Terrafirma Ceramics, at Incorporated . . . Super **coffeemaker, 20,** worthy of your best brew. Takes all grinds; makes 2 to 12 cups in five minutes, keeps it hot until you want it. 14 inches high. $37.95. Automatic Filter Drip Coffeemaker by Melitta . . . **An extraordinary store for extraordinary cookware, 21**—Williams-Sonoma in Beverly Hills (see page 115 for some of its riches). In front of store, vice-president Tom Freiberg and store manager Anne Kupper. And from the store, **sieves, 22,** in 28 shapes and sizes—28 prices, too from 85¢ to $12.50 . . . "Tortue" is a **turtle-like object, 23,** created by Francois-Xavier Lalanne. Of nickel-plated copper—and a good 10 inches long—it has a surprise: The top lifts off; use the back as an ashtray. Limited edition of 100. $600 from Multiples . . . Let it all hang out on a solid hardboard, felt-padded **tennis racket caddy, 24,** that holds 4 rackets, balls, trophies (should you be good enough to win them). 21 inches long. $18.70 ppd. At Hammacher Schlemmer . . . A trio of **jaunty blue-and-white ceramics, 25:** 10-inch pie pan, $9.75; 5½-inch-high planter, $17.75; flower-painted mold, 5 inches deep, 8-inch diameter, $10.75. All ppd. At Pequod Emporium . . . The birds' own MacDonald's—a **bird feeder, 26,** with 10-inch adjustable dome (you decide what size bird gets the fast food). 7-inch dish. Can be hung or post-mounted. $13.95 ppd. From Duncraft.

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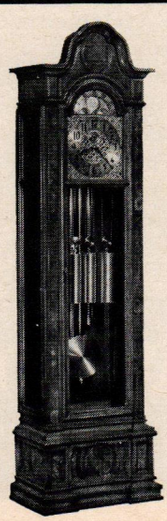

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To give your tables a soft glow—and great for use when there's a temporary power failure—**candleholders:** Kosta Boda's crystal Christmas Goat (the familiar horned animal will hold a single candle on its back) or a midget version of the classic holder, the Mini Hurricane Lamp, with a chrome-plated base and a 2-inch glass globe. The goat, $12.50 at Burdine's; the hurricane lamp, $6.50 at Bullock's.

In the traditional yuletide red and green, "merry christmas" is emblazoned on a **white ceramic mug** that holds 8 ounces of whatever Christmas cheer you favor. Set of 4, $12. Matching dessert plates, 8 inches in diameter, 4 for $12. By Schmid, at Marco Polo.

"The Window Garden," a *suction cup plant holder,* adheres to the window or any glass surface you choose. It's made of clear acrylic and will hold your own 3- to 5-inch clay or plastic pot, up to 3 pounds. Ideal for starting small plants. By Page. $3.10 ppd. each from Village Gallery at Gallimaufry.

At your fingertips, the lotions you need when showering: The wedge-shaped **"Washing Machine"** slots into a corner bracket of your shower stall. Its three 18-ounce compartments dispense liquid body shampoo (included) and your own hair conditioned and hair shampoo. Made of durable plastic, it comes in white with chrome trim, and is removable for cleaning. 9 inches wide, 7 high, and 4 inches in diameter. By Evolution Health Care $29.99 at The May Company.

Simple, handsome, at home in every style of decoration, the **crystal Revere bowl** is never out of style. 5 inches in diameter. $7. At Tiffany. An **old-fashioned cradle** of hand-carved pine, evokes memories of an era of fine workmanship. 34 inches long, 19 high, 22 deep. By American Treasures $189 at Maison Blanche.

A **portable barbecue** can be used all year round. The "Son of Hibachi" is a "self-extinguishing," self-cleaning unit that starts quickly and saves charcoal. Lit from below, the flame is drawn upwards in a chimney effect to contact every coal. In less than 10 minutes you're ready to cook. You carry the barbecue as you would a suitcase. 18½ inches high, 5½ wide, 10 long with a cooking surface measuring 10 by 26½ inches. $19.99 at Gimbels.

MAKE IT YOURSELF

For handy men and women, a selection of kits:

A **stowaway chest** that arrives partially assembled is fine for storing anything from toys to sports equipment—even use it as a hearth-side woodbox. Can be stained, painted, antiqued. Of kiln-dried Eastern pine, it comes with rope handles and steel hardware. When assembled the chest is 29½ by 18 by 14 inches high. It's item #3808.3, $34.85 ppd. from Brookstone.

Fruit and vegetable preserving is quick and easy wth the Sun Pantry **Fruit Drying Kit.** Drying tray, Vita-Loc Drying Crystals, and instructions are included—all you add is the sun. One-tray kit, $7.95; four-tray, $19.95. At Bowring Brothers.

Alexander Bogomazov's **"Cubist Head" in needlepoint.** 16 inches square, 12 stitches to the inch. $61 ppd., Albright-Knox Gallery Shop.

The South Street Seaport Museum Model Shop has a full line of top quality **plastic and wooden ship-building kits** to please the nautically minded craftsmen. Write for Model Shipways catalogue, 75¢, or Marine Models and Bluejacket catalogues, $1 each. The Model Shop also sells fittings, hobby tools, basswood, and boxwood, does restoration and repairs.

Anyone who works with tools—and a real boon to the not-so-adept—will appreciate **a magnetic screwdriver**—even the bits are held in place by magnetic force. Includes 4 steel-shanked bits, storage compartment in handle 7 inches long. By Vermont American. $4.99. At Cole & Son Hardware.

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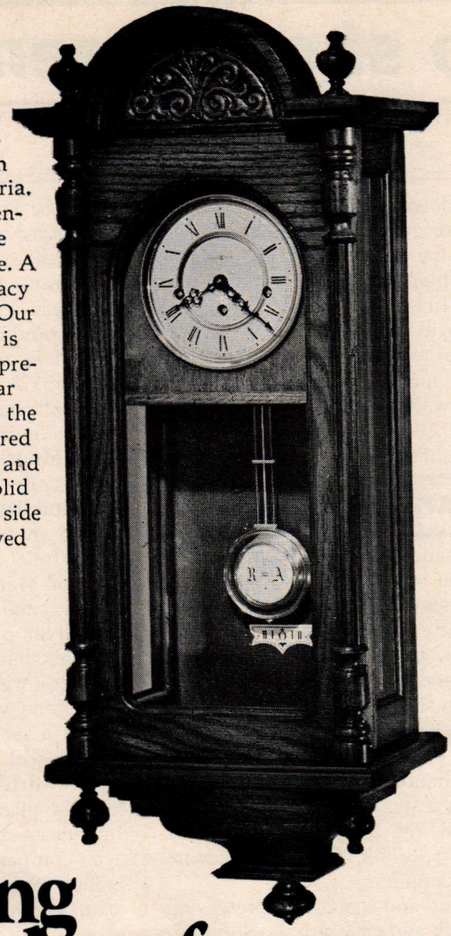

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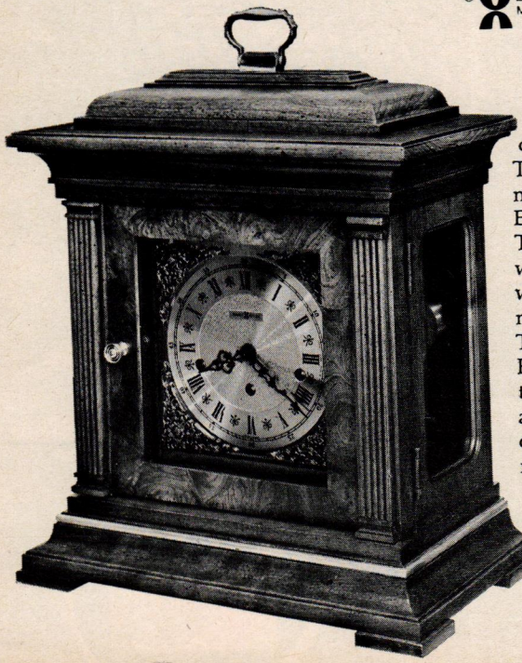

In the early 17th century, Thomas Tompion was the most celebrated of English clock makers. This elegant timepiece was inspired by his work and we have named it after him. The rare Carpathian Elm burl facing on the door is skillfully accented with gold decoration. The mirrored back and glass inserts show off the excellent West German movement. Tompion would be proud.

HOUSE GIFTS

Christmas presents
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SPORTS

The "Gotcha" **Fish Glove** keeps a grip on an angler's catch and protects hands from sharp fins and gill covers. The fluorescent orange nylon glove has slightly abrasive palm and fingers. By 3M. $4.50 ppd. from Angler's Roost.

If your tennis partner has trouble returning the ball, the Prince **aluminum tennis racket** with 50 percent larger hitting area may solve the problem. It weighs no more and offers no more wind resistance than an ordinary racket. Accepted by the USLTA and USTA. $65, unstrung. For practicing indoors, use the **soft, springy All Ball,** the same size as a tennis ball. $1. By Tennis Resources. Racket and ball at Feron's.

The ultimate gift for the waterskiing enthusiast—a Ski-Wheee **jet-drive tow craft,** skier-commanded by remote control. Eliminates the need for a manned tow boat. Only 6-foot long and weighing about 200 pounds, the 40 horsepower Ski-Wheee can tow an average-sized skier at a speed of more than 30 miles an hour. It's easily transported by station wagon or pickup truck. Under $2,000. Write Ski-Wheee for a marine or sporting goods store in your area.

FOOD

"Super Mammoth Pecan Halves" are favorites with our resident gourmets. Extra Fancy Grade, packaged in a lovely tin from England. 1 pound, 10 ounces, $10.70 ppd. Specify item No. 25 when ordering. From Priester's.

A **Smithfield ham,** aged, cured, and ready to serve, will make life easier for the holiday hostess. Whole, about 10 to 14 pounds, $5.95 a pound plus shipping costs. At Maison E. H. Glass.

The Recipes-At-A-Glance **Flip File** contains over 100 gourmet dishes, in brown ink on a durable 4-by-6-inch white card, ring-bound and displayed on a clear acrylic base, angled for easy reading. $11 ppd. From Plants-At-A-Glance.

Bread-baking buffs will obtain crisper crusts with the **"Bake-A-Round" Pyrex tube** with wire rack that makes fabulous yeast breads in a new round shape. 14-inch-long tube, 3½ inches in diameter, bakes a 1- to 1½-pound loaf. International bread recipes included. $9.88. From the Culinaria Collection by Corning.

Fresh whole spices from China, Greece, or Mexico, in disposable grinders, may inspire some exotic cooking. Gift assortment of six spices from one country. By International Spice. $10, The Cellar at Macy's.

Ballantine's **Scotch in a limited edition glass decanter** will satisfy a taste for both fine glassware and premium Scotch. The square, stoppered decanter with beveled edges is included in the price of a fifth through Christmas. About $8.55 in New York. Imported by "21" Brands, at liquor stores.

For the epicure who delights in cooking gadgets: a **tinned wire potato grill.** Fit any size potato in the oval basket on the end of a long handle and cook over a barbecue grill. Easier than baking in coals. Can also be used for broiling hamburgers. Two 14-inch grills, $7.15 ppd., Williams-Sonoma.

Tote **a gift for your holiday host:** the "5 O'Clock Tote" filled with imported caviar (1¾ oz.), Smoke House almonds (6 oz.), and cocktail napkins; or, to be used at breakfast, the "10 O'Clock Tote" —Rose's orange and lime marmalades in 1-pound jars, with 8 ounces of Su-Bee Pure Honey. By Leloy. $12.50 plus $1.25 postage each, at Camalier & Buckley.

Bring **wheels of cheese**—Swiss Belsano or French Morbier—to a party. Belsano is a firm textured raclette cheese with a pleasingly mild flavor. Heating—especially broiling—brings out its special aroma. $3.29 a pound. At Zabar's. Morbier, a more flavorful French version of Italian Fontina, is a butter-colored pressed cheese with a layer of cinder running through the middle, which gives it a layer-cake appearance. $3.98 a pound. At Ideal Cheese Shop.

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needs a **typewriter,** and the good looks of Smith-Corona's "Electra" automatic portable, plus its speed, ease, and convenience, make it a practical family present. $199.50.

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The "Some Winners, Some Losers" **jigsaw puzzle** is a complex 500-piece montage of hundreds of campaign buttons from former U.S. presidential races. Great for this Bicentennial and election year. Finished picture is 16 by 20 inches. $4.50. By Freelance, Hudson's.

Collectors of miniatures will relish a **tiny, hand-blown, crystal ladle and punch bowl** with four cups hanging on the rim, $12; or an iced tea pitcher with four "tall" glasses, $8. Solid brass or silverplate accessories, from candlesticks ($5 a pair) to a Liliputian bed or crib ($100). All to dollhouse scale of 1 inch to 1 foot. At Calico Dollhouse. Add 5 percent for postage.

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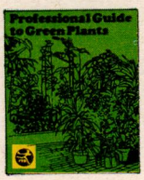

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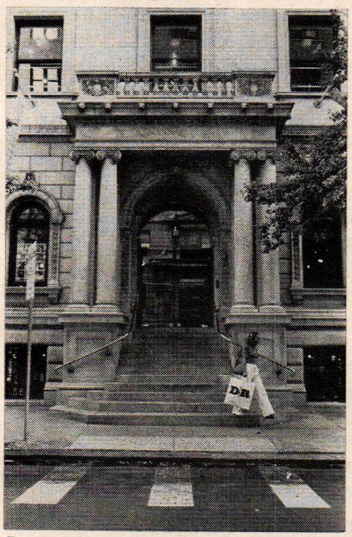
IN 7 UNUSUAL STORES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY

Are you an expert on some subject? Open a store! More people do these days and the benefits to everyone are abundant. If you're a cook, a wine lover, an embroiderer, a sewer, a book lover, whatever, someone who shares that interest has a shop or store that's dedicated to getting you the best equipment and, in a lot of cases, the best instruction ever. There's a personal element involved that makes shopping an education, and, above all, a pleasure. Seven unique stores that show just how productive your holiday shopping can be this year have been chosen from hundreds across America. Each is intended to inspire the imagination, satisfy your curiosity, and add a sense of fun to discovering new sources.

Design Research, Philadelphia

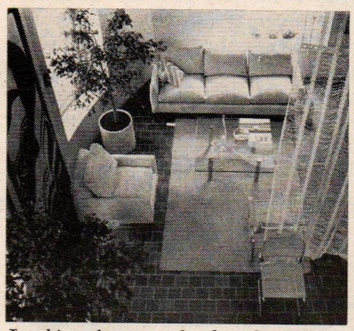


Design Research's Rensselaer mansion.

The simple thing that happens to be very special—however you choose to define that—is the design principle behind **Design Research International.** One of the most unusual of DR's ten stores is in Philadelphia. At 18th and Walnut streets, the store is housed in the magnificent Van Rensselaer mansion on Rittenhouse Square. DR has made the site of each of its stores an important architectural part of the town or city the store is in—which in many cases has meant saving valuable old buildings by changing the way they are used. A tremendous effort was made to keep the Philadelphia building a monument and residential structure. For the DR way of presenting things in "real life" settings the effort has worked miraculously well. A place of commerce can be a place of culture and the Van Rensselaer store proves it.

Design Research sells furniture, fabric, rugs, clothes, cookware, tableware, accessories collected from Scandinavia, principally Finland. But French cookware and Italian plastics are also part of the superclean and functional look DR is famous for producing.

The Doges Room in the Van Rensselaer mansion is reason enough to drop in when you feel like browsing. At one end is an enormous open fireplace with a hearth and mantel of colored mosaics that's a subtle blend of rusty red, pale green, and ivory. All this was carefully preserved when the store was remodeled from the Philadelphia Athletic Club, which was the mansion's previous life. The ceiling is a collection of hand-painted portraits in medallion-like frames of the great popes and doges of Venice. The eye and imagination are lost peering up at this gallery of faces. Around you is a wide selection of sleek, pale pine furniture in the functional



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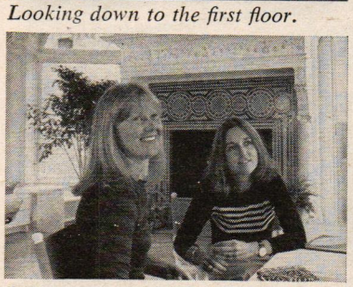
Looking down to the first floor.



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and minimal line look that characterizes Scandinavian style.

A winding metal staircase spirals up three floors in the middle of the store. On the staircase, you see the store through a series of wonderful visual "wells." The space and the light are fantastic. At the top is a stained glass dome through which the light streams.

For many people DR means Marimekko. It's world famous. Finnish designer Armi Ratia started Marimekko and DR offers her silkscreen fabrics in a hundred different ways—right off the bolt at $14 a yard is the most usual. Apartment dwellers from Cambridge to San Francisco have used the prints and patterns of the fabrics to make "instant paintings" by wrapping the cloth around stretchers and securing it with staples. The colors are uncommonly bright and childlike in their simple, direct, uncomplicated feeling. Black and white are the most frequent accent colors and they're used with great abandon. One room has been solely devoted to them, where you can look and compare at your leisure. They have also been translated into umbrellas, $22, pillows, $9.50 to $19, sheets, $11.50, quilts, $110, and fabric-covered books for addresses and recipes. The Marimekko clothes by Finnish designers are as popular as the decorative fabrics, and for children they're great. From T-shirts to brightly splashed, patterned overalls, children look great in the colors, and the clothes are very easy for them to live in. Philadelphia's fabric room has wonderful French doors that lead out to a small balcony filled with red and bright pink geraniums. It's a sunny, happy place. More fabric things—an unusual selection of heavy canvas luggage, these designed by Ristomatti Ratia. They come in simple, light over-the-shoulder carryalls, $29.50, to sturdy, heavier bags that can take the daily wear and tear and look neat and compact.

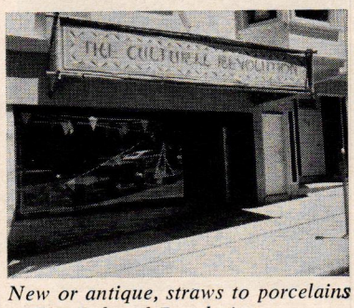
Cooks adore Design Research. On the ground floor of the Philadelphia store you can find Copco and DR's own hand-hammered aluminum cookware from France. Copco's white enameled teapot with curved wood handle is one piece that's particularly attractive, $20. Copper everywhere and a great collection of gray pottery containers that run the gamut from tiny herb pots, $2.50, to larger crocklike containers, $4.50—the color of rough stone and very handsome. Pots and pans abound for crêpes, omelettes, and deep Dutch ovens for stews and ragouts.

Design Research toys are imaginative and almost always made from natural materials—a wooden rocking horse named "Charley" with gaily painted eyes and nose, lots of strawlike hair for his bushy mane, $90. Stuffed dolls dressed up in little Marimekko clothes are for both boys and girls, $6.

Sometimes it's hard to relegate a rug to the floor when it could be hanging on a wall. A few were the color of creamy egg froth, all wool, and striped with black, red, and an earthy brown.

A small courtyard is being planned for next spring with tables and chairs and outdoor service for coffee and biscuits. It certainly seems easier to make a decision about fabrics and patterns of flatware over a cup of cappuccino!

The Cultural Revolution



New or antique, straws to porcelains at The Cultural Revolution.

Christmas shoppers in San Francisco have a veritable treasure trove in a small shop called **The Cultural Revolution** at 3044 Fillmore. It has a feeling of a small village that's a composite of all the different Chinatowns across the country. This particular shop is put together with such artistry and flair that very simple, functional objects become themselves little works of art. The Cultural Revolution's owner, Ted Van Doorn, was one of the first Americans to bring merchandise from the People's Republic of China to the United States. It soon became an outlet for the very best, inexpensive things. A few things come from other parts of the Orient—the Philippines and Indonesia—but the store remains essentially a repository of Chinese goods which in many cases Mr. Van Doorn has

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designed and had made in China exclusively for him.

Color is one of the striking features of the shop: shades of beige from natural straw, green and tan from young and mature bamboo, off-white ivory, with brown and navy cottons and brilliant splashes of Chinese red-lacquered bowls and boxes. The baskets, place mate, brushes, small, portable furniture, cricket cages, plant hangers, straw matting, and carved trinkets are almost all made completely from natural materials. And there is clothing—navy and mocha-brown silk or cotton padded and quilted jackets that are so comfortable and surprisingly warm, $30 for silk and cotton long-sleeved jackets, $22.50 for cotton cap-sleeved ones. There are belts, bags, purses, ivory carved beads, and lots of red and blue cotton slippers for children, $2.95 a pair. And what toys! Tiny crocheted pandas and bears, even monkeys dressed up in cotton clothes, $1.29. There are also some very small embroidered silk animals—tigers, horse, and cocks—and jars shaped like elephants, $2.95, horses made of bamboo, and highly decorated whirling eggs that open up to reveal tiny chicks inside, $1.79. Butterfly kites in translucent rice paper with beautifully painted designs would delight a child, 79¢ and $3.95.

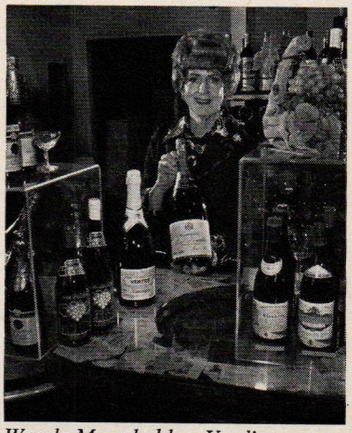
A corner of the Cultural Revolution is devoted to cooking gear and the really fine wok equipment. Ladles, scoops, brushes, kitchen shears, bowls, plates, rosewood, lacquered and easy-to-split bamboo chopsticks are in generous supply. Spice jars in three sizes that are covered with a dark brown glaze would be as useful storing rice, coffee, or sugar, 29¢ to 99¢.

Rattan and bamboo furniture has great design and is often inexpensive and it is flexible besides. Indoors or out, the lightweight quality has its advantages. Two bamboo, 10-foot ladders, at $16 each, for example, placed one in front of the other and secured at their bases can, with shelves placed on each rung, be a fabulous étagère for a really minimal cost. Rattan tables, stools, baby cribs, and chairs can also be lacquered or painted with little trouble. Or leave them with their own natural finish. One all-bamboo chaise has a back that moves to three positions plus a latticework that mixes the colors of bamboo to make a charming pattern, $29.95. And let us not overlook those wonderful bamboo-woven suitcases that have almost replaced pocketbooks and attaché cases, $12, $20, and $30. And they're great to use for picnic baskets, too. Some even have their own wine compartments, $30.

Now and then a collection of truly rare, never-to-be-seen-again porcelain or set of antique clothing will arrive in the shop and be announced with all due fanfare. There are also beautiful embroidered jackets that can cost up to $400. If you find a Japanese china pattern there, you can be sure that it's one very few stores will have—Mr. Van Doorn insists on eliminating anything he discovers has become common elsewhere. More antiques—the original Indonesian batiks that were worn sarong-style were all made a meter wide. The borders and patterns were all designed to fit and blend together when the fabric was draped or wrapped around the body. The colors are fabulous and resist fading because dyes are made of natural plants and roots. The fabrics have been made into pillows, $25 and shoulder bags, $22.50.

The Verdier Wine Cellar

Liberty House's Verdier Cellar.



Wanda Myer holds a Verdier champagne.

Tradition has it that San Francisco's first department store was a ship called "Ville de Paris." On its first voyage into the San Francisco Bay it was greeted by the townspeople who had rowed out in their boats to meet it and acquire by theft or sale the treasured French wines it was carrying. When the first real department store was built it, too, was called "City of Paris" and one of its outstanding features was its wine cellar, owned and run by the Verdier family. Today the Verdier Cellar in San Francisco's **Liberty House** store is one of the finest wine shops

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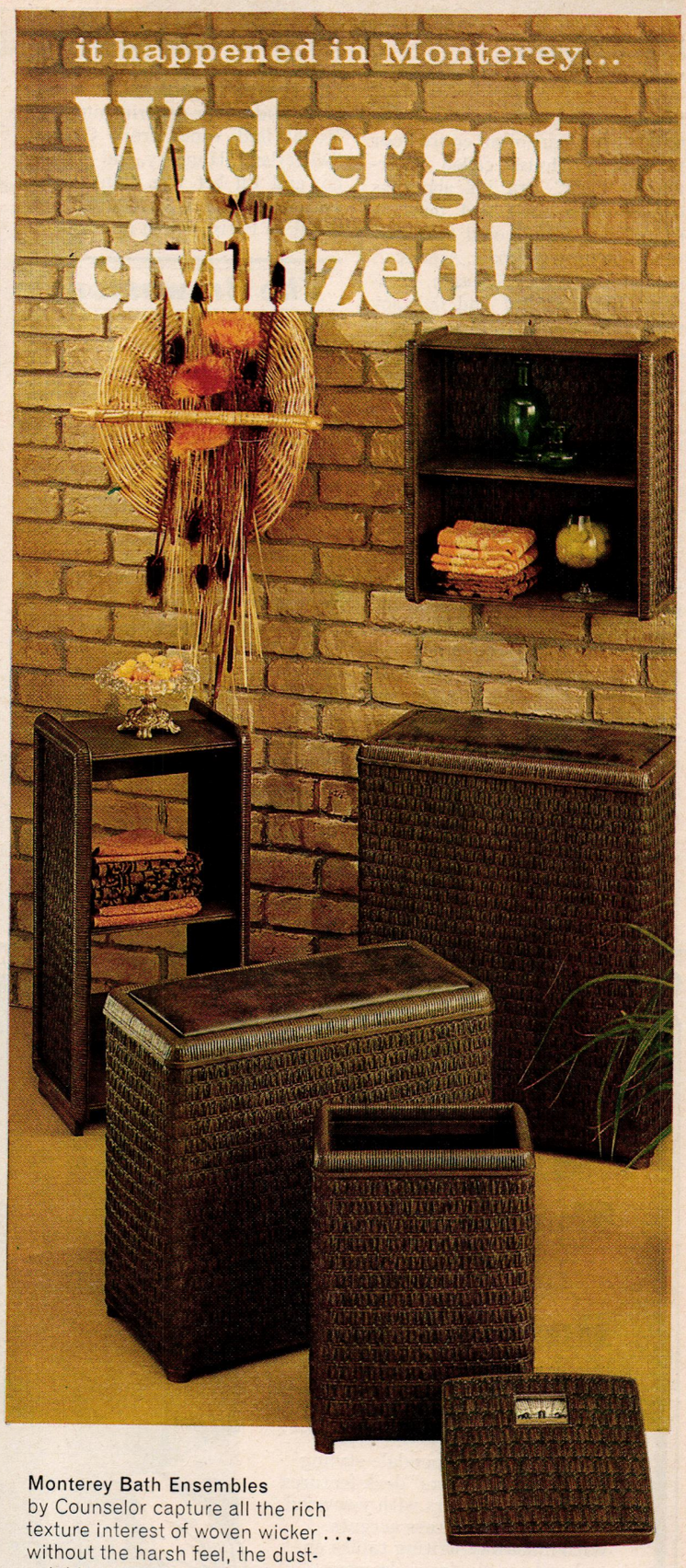

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in a town that loves its wines. The cellars are a part of an entire floor in Liberty House called "Normandy Lane" and it's about as condensed a food and delicacy shopping area as you'll find anywhere on the west coast. America's second Fortnum & Mason, London's famous food and delicacy shop, is on this floor. (The other is at B. Altman & Co. in New York.)

The last scion of the Verdier family, Paul Verdier, made an important point of sharing his wines with customers in a friendly and gracious way. He had a dining room situated near his office and would think nothing of inviting customers into it for a taste of a new domestic champagne he was currently developing. Those champagnes are now world famous and carry Brut and Cuvée labels under Verdier. $4 to $13 a bottle, domestic and imported. Some other California wines bearing the Verdier label are: Chablis, $2.15 a bottle; Burgundy, $2.15; Reisling, $2.30; Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, and a Barbera, for $3.25; and a Cabernet Sauvignon, $3.60.

The cellar is almost perfectly divided in half with imports on one side and domestics on the other. White wines are in a specially temperature-controlled room in the rear of the cellar. Famous châteaux lie next to offbeat wines. (There's usually room in everyone's budget for experimentation.) You'll find wines from Greece, Switzerland, Hungary, and Morocco, and I'll bet you didn't know that half the *vin ordinaire* that's drunk in Paris is from Morocco.

The Brownstone

Young Beau Theriot has been collecting antiques since he was 12 years old. He's a passionate lover of beautiful things and as an interior designer he loves using them in new and refreshing ways. As the owner of one of Houston's best, new, and very inventive restaurants, he's using antiques as a major source of furniture. **The Brownstone** at 2736 Virginia Street is both a lovely place to eat and a fabulous place to browse. Everything, but everything, in the restaurant is for sale—from the Queen Anne chair you sit on, $150 to the reproductions of pressed-glass goblets, $11.95, you drink from to new Imari plates, $25, the antique brass candlesticks that light your table, starting at $15, to the table to the silver platter your dinner is served from. And don't forget the tablecloths, $35, and napkins! Just outside the four dining rooms—The Brownstone serves up to one hundred and fifty people—is a magnificent antiques gallery, all of it arranged in four large living-room settings. You are invited to browse, to sit down on a sofa or chair to wait while friends arrive, to pick up a crystal obelisk, to make yourself at home in this incredibly beautiful environment. Go in for lunch, muse over what you've seen, and pick out a gift or two if there's something that has attracted your attention. The whole thing is calm and comfortable and relaxed.

Mr. Theriot makes his own buying trips to the Orient two or three times a year and the Brownstone Gallery reflects his love for one-of-a-kind pieces. Old jade, ivory, porcelain, carpets, crystal, and horn are among his favorites. Right now he's very proud of a 17th-century French *bibliothèque* made of oiled woods he found. It

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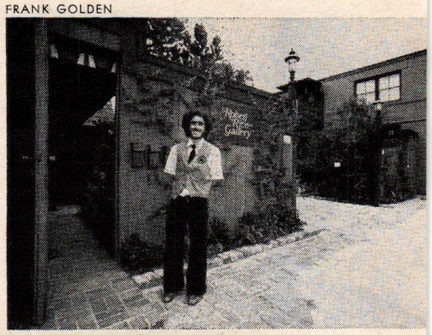

One of four antiques galleries outside dining room; Beau Theriot, top.

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measures 11 feet wide and just over 9 feet high, $12,500. What a book storage problem that would solve!

What's a "brownstone?" It's a style of row house found in New York that's fronted with a reddish-brown sandstone. It is also known for being very narrow—sometimes not even 15 feet wide. Mr. Theriot adores New York but prefers to live in Texas. He says that his Brownstone is his tribute to this fabulous city and he welcomes his Texan customers with a pair of heavy wrought-iron gates he took with him to remind him of New York's fascination.

Dorso

Dorso at 444 North Camden Drive in Beverly Hills is a blue-shuttered, blue-and-white-decorated shop with a French air that is a mélange of gifts and clothing for men and women. It specializes in rare one-of-a-kind gifts and is particularly well-supplied with old Chinese and Japanese porcelains. Many of the larger jars that cost from $150 to $500 are perfect to convert to lamp bases. There are Peruvian cotton bags big enough to pack for a weekend for about $50 and beautiful and delicately made silk flowers from New York's Diane Love start at $40 for a small bouquet and make wonderful house and hostess presents. Dorso has a collection of new and antique crystal bottles from $85 to $140, as well as antique silver picture frames and letter openers, pieces of ivory and brass, antique silver toast racks, flasks, candlesticks, appointment calendars, inkwells, picnic hampers. It's the place to go whether you need inspiration or know exactly what you're looking for.

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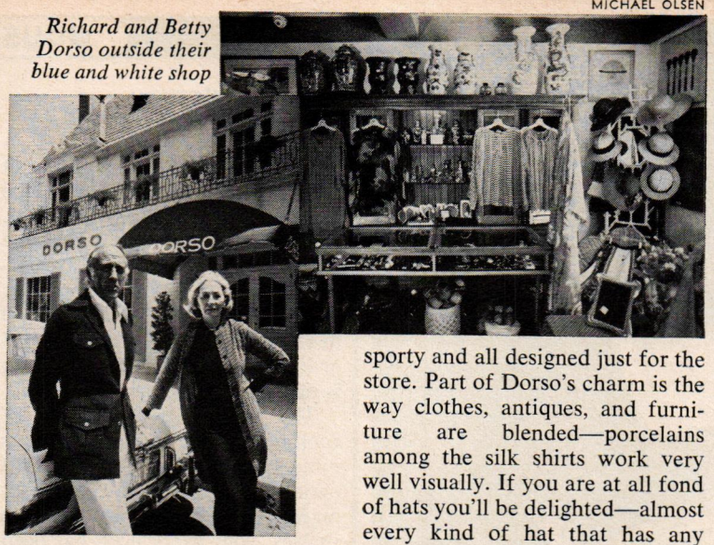

Richard and Betty Dorso outside their blue and white shop

Clothes at Dorso are casual and sporty and all designed just for the store. Part of Dorso's charm is the way clothes, antiques, and furniture are blended—porcelains among the silk shirts work very well visually. If you are at all fond of hats you'll be delighted—almost every kind of hat that has any character at all is hanging somewhere there; they start at $15.

Williams-Sonoma

Can you imagine a store that would stock twenty-eight sizes of sieves? **Williams-Sonoma** at 438 North Rodeo in Beverly Hills does. (There's also one in San Francisco). It carries what is probably the widest stock of French and American cooking equipment in California. If you are wrestling with a recipe that calls for cooking containers you've never heard of, Williams-Sonoma will have it in quantity. In some cases, where a piece of professional cook's equipment is needed, Williams-Sonoma goes right out, designs the piece, finds a manufacturer, and makes it available. Its black steel, 18-inch-long baking pans are a good example. Professional bakers use black steel pans whenever they can as the steel ensures an even distribution of heat for steady baking, a crusty surface, and the dark color helps the bread to brown. The baguette pans make two long, or four shorter loaves, $9.95 the set. A black steel tart/quiche pan, 10 inches in diameter, is great for thin quiche and dessert crusts, $5.50 a set of two. How about some glass mixing bowls? The set consists of ten nesting bowls—the smallest, 2½ inches in diameter would hold a single egg yolk; the largest, 10 inches, is wide enough for beating cake batter. And the set is attractive to use for serving bowls. $14.50 the set. Croque-monsieur is a special toasted sandwich made with ham and cheese, popular in France and delicious for lunch or late-night suppers. Williams-Sonoma has a croque-monsieur cast-aluminum iron that toasts the sandwich in a

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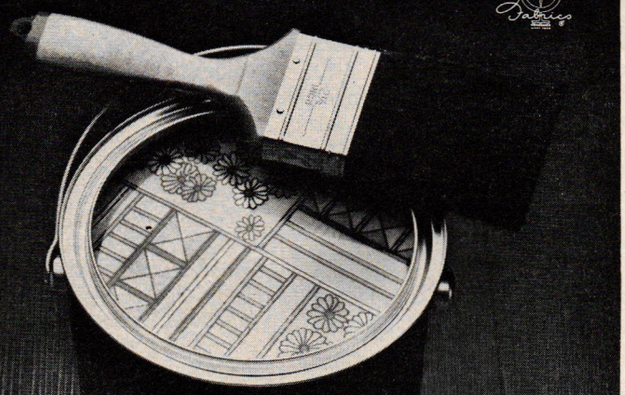

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lovely shell pattern, makes two at a time, and comes with a recipe booklet for more sandwich ideas. The iron is $12.95. One of the most popular gifts is a straw basket filled to the brim with wooden cooking utensils. It runs from $50 to $55 depending on what you add or leave out, and a colorful ribbon is tied around the handle.

The variety and quantity of cooking gadgets and equipment is mind-boggling. From the smallest paring knife to a $550 hardrock maple workbench that has two shelves, your every need has been anticipated and in the most attractive design available. A stainless steel soup skimmer for $8 is a very good example of the attention paid to design detail.

Williams-Sonoma has a catalogue for cooks and a mail-order service. The catalogue contains recipes, descriptions of newly published cookbooks, and cookbooks that also teach you how to use various cooking tools. Its booklet, *Jams and Jellies,* teaches you how to make them with the proper equipment, and *Claypot Cook Book* teaches you how to bake and roast meats with little or no fat in these claypot casseroles. There are Cook's Lectures, too. Julie Dannenbaum and Simone Beck are scheduled to speak there this fall. The coming year also includes plans for a kitchen that will permit cooking classes to be conducted in the store. Write for its catalogue: Mail Order Department, Box 3792, San Francisco, Cal. 94119.

Tablesettings as well as cookware

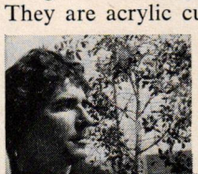
Clear White

To double the light in a small apartment or room of a house, mirrors work wonders. To open a space and eliminate a cramped look, furnish with glass. **Clear White** at 7617 Melrose Avenue in Los Angeles is the place to go for things glass, mirrored or made in acrylics. Wayne James, who has his own factory and manufactures many of Clear White's designs, specializes in making these supermodern, sleek objects, but only in "ice" or reflecting surfaces. There are light sculptures, coffee tables, light cubes, bar carts, clocks, desk and bar accessories, and at least a hundred mirrors and their frames that he has made. For example, for $25 up to $70 he has created something he calls "grownup toys." They are acrylic cubes that, used for centerpieces, combine with candles and flowers to reflect the light and colors. Other people simply put the cubes by themselves on a coffee table. Glass coffee tables that Mr. James designs begin at $390.

Picasso-like etchings pattern an acrylic paperweight, $5, and yardsticks and, for the really current, metersticks, made of acrylic cost $9. One of Mr. James's favorite light sculptures is a 4-inch-thick, foot-square free-form chunk of acrylic that is lit from underneath —you can color the light with a bulb. It's $240. On a floor or table the piece simply shimmers and glows. Sculptures begin at $150.

Mr. James suggests you care for your plastic and acrylic pieces by putting a drop or two of Pledge on a soft cloth and rubbing gently. It removes surface dust without making plastic static and also fills in tiny little scratches that sometimes dull that superpure, clean look intrinsic to its beauty. Better too little Pledge than too much as acrylic will be smeary. ■

BY PAULA RICE JACKSON



Wayne James designs acrylic, glass, and mirrors for Clear White

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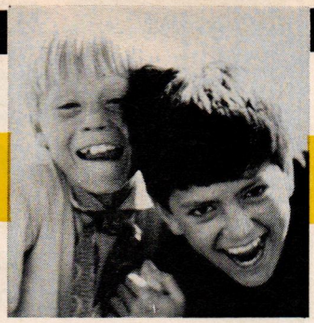
The Children's Exchange



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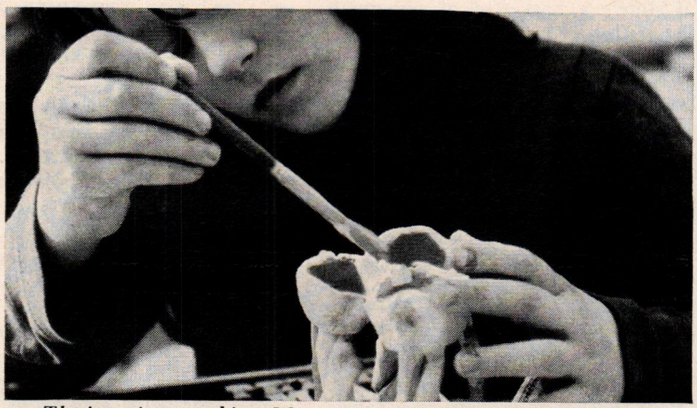
Rafts of crafts

"Let's make something!" On a rainy day, but any old day too, that's the cry from children, and parents, who get a kick out of making things. All sorts of craft books for children have come out in time for Christmas giving. Here are some of the best.

Crafts for Children by Arnold Arnold (Thomas Y. Crowell, $10). Written as a resource book for parents, teachers, or any adult working with children, this 400-page volume gives brief, matter-of-fact instructions for all the art and craft techniques one can imagine. Mr. Arnold stresses the importance of utilizing each child's imagination so that projects and products will be personal and therefore unique—not the old paint-in-the-numbers approach of so many craft books.



The joy of pot-making. More projects for craftschildren below.

Simple Printmaking by Peter Weiss, illustrated by Sally Gralla (Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, $5.50). Printmaking can be child's play or an art requiring great knowledge and skill. Some of the elementary aspects are described in this printmaking primer—from making noodle and potato prints (not as edible as they sound) to monotypes and marbleized paper. Enough ideas are presented to provide lots of enjoyment and a gallery of originals by the proud printmaker.

Totems, Decoys & Covered Wagons by Jeremy Comins (Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, $5.95). Children who are devoted model builders should find plenty to absorb them here. The emphasis is on early Americana. For instance, an informative introduction on the salt-box house precedes careful directions for a cardboard model. In addition to the totems, decoys, and covered wagons of the title, there are model patterns for Hopi kachina dolls, a rocking horse, and other handsomely designed historic objects. These would make good school history projects as well as joint parent-child enterprises.

The Crowell Book of Arts and Making Things, Book 2 by Ann Wiseman (Little, Brown, $8.95). In this big guide to creating, the language and layout are directed to young readers. Crammed with handwritten instructions, explanatory sketches, and enthusiasm, the book emphasizes that there is nothing a child cannot accomplish if she or he wants to try and is not daunted by mistakes. There are moccasins to sew, fishing nets to knot, a hammock to knit, and dozens of other projects.

Recyclopedia by Robin Simons (Houghton Mifflin, $6.95; $3.95 paperback). Another wide-ranging collection, this one will be of special interest to "pack rats" and "incorrigible scroungers" because all the projects were first constructed from recycled materials in a program at the Boston Children's Museum. Amply illustrated instructions detail quantities of games, science equipment, and craft items that can be built from materials that used to lie around waiting to be thrown out.

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Making your own pillow-in-bloom

Step-by-step instructions for making the flower pillow on page 163

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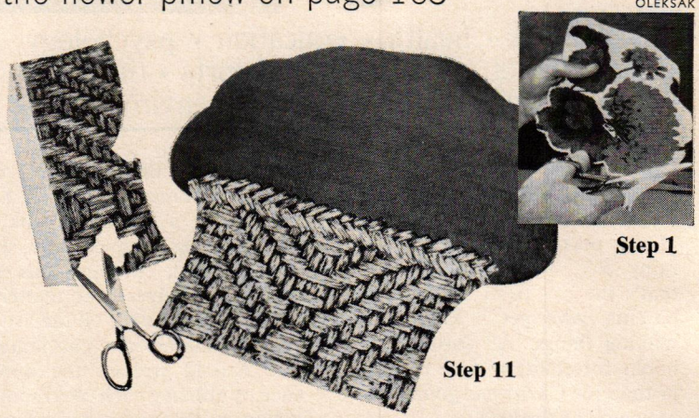

Step 1

Step 11

Here's a basketful of perennials that never need watering. It's a pillow (have a closer look on page 163), designed by Mark Robinson, and you can make one yourself. If you prefer to buy one already made, you'll find how-to-order details on page 193.

Materials and equipment

Large piece of white cotton, ½ yard of a floral print fabric for the top front section of the pillow, ½ yard basket-weave-patterned fabric for the bottom front and back sections; ½ yard green velvet for the top back of the pillow; a needle; thread chosen to blend into the fabrics; a sewing machine with a zigzag stitch; some heavy brown paper; pins; scissors, and a bag of polyester stuffing.

Step 1: Cut out flowers and leaves from the floral fabric you have chosen for your pillow, allowing ⅛ inch of background around each piece. Don't worry about cutting precise flower shapes; spaces between leaves, flowers, and stems give pillow a natural, airy look.
Step 2: On a large piece of white cotton, pin the flowers in a pleasing arrangement.
Step 3: Using a medium-size zigzag stitch, sew the pieces onto the white cotton. (Do not stitch across bottom of flowers; basket section will be inserted there later.)
Step 4: Draw and cut out a basket shape from heavy brown paper, making it ⅜ inch larger at sides and bottom than the finished basket will be, and 1½ inches larger at the top. Natural looking proportions between basket and flowers are essential.
Step 5: Trace the basket pattern onto the basket-weave-printed fabric. Cut out two basket shapes—one for the front, one for the back.
Step 6: Slide the top of the front basket section under opening in flower section; pin into position.
Step 7: Using a zigzag stitch, sew the front basket section into place and complete stitching across the flowers that overlap the basket.
Step 8: Cut away the excess cotton behind the flowers, leaving a 1-inch border around the flowers.
Step 9: To make top velvet section of the pillow back, first pin the front flower piece face up on the wrong side of the velvet and trace around the outside shape of the flower section. Leaving an extra inch at the bottom, cut straight across the bottom and around the outline of the flowers.
Step 10: Place back basket section on top of velvet, right side up, adjusting size to match the front of the pillow. Pin. Zigzag together.
Step 11: From a scrap of basket fabric, cut a border to finish off the back of the basket. Pin. Zigzag in place.
Step 12: Pin front to back, right sides together. Sew, using a fine straight stitch, leaving only the bottom of the basket open. Cut away excess seam allowance, clip curves.
Step 13: From brown paper, make an oval pattern to fit the opening at the bottom of the basket. Cut a basket-fabric oval.
Step 14: Pin the bottom of the basket in place, right sides together, and stitch closed, leaving an opening just large enough for your hand.
Step 15: Turn the pillow right side out and stuff with polyester, making the pillow firm enough to hold its shape.
Step 16: Pin the pillow closed and sew by hand. ■

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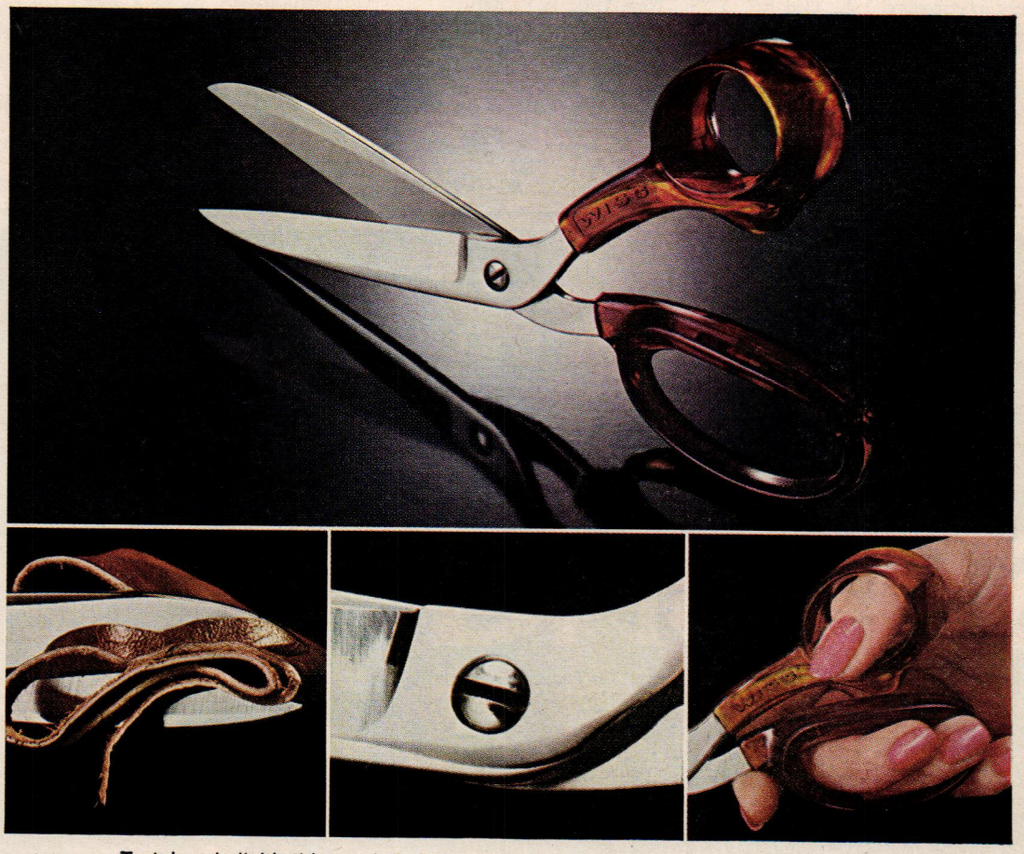

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Method

In a bowl toss nuts and raisins together. Other salted nuts may be used; mixture should be made up of equal quantities of nuts and raisins. Makes 2⅔ cups.

Chicken liver pâté

FROM MRS. MONTAGUE H. HACKETT JR.

Ingredients

½ pound unsalted butter
¾ cup onions, finely minced
1 small tart apple, peeled, cored, and chopped
1 pound chicken livers, cleaned and trimmed
1½ teaspoons salt
freshly ground white pepper, to taste
¼ cup cognac
2-4 tablespoons heavy cream
optional: a few truffles, minced, and 1 teaspoon truffle juice
¼ pound clarified butter

Method

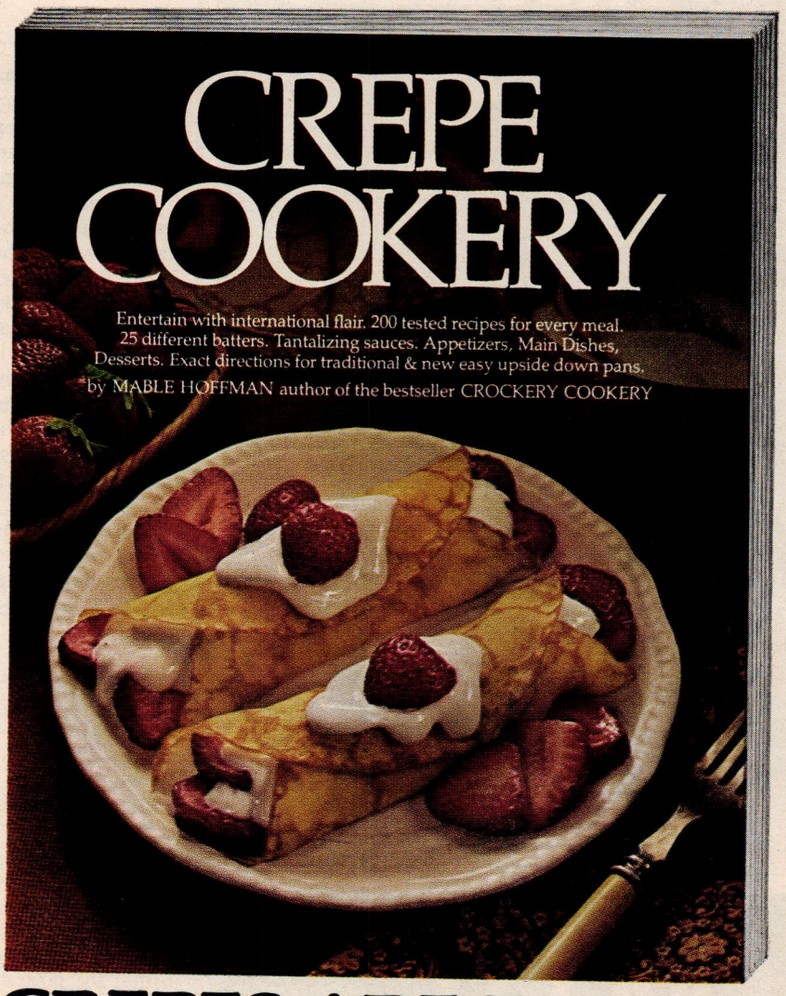
☐ In a large heavy skillet, melt 3 tablespoons butter. Add the onions and cook until soft and lightly browned; add the apple and cook for 3-4 minutes longer. Transfer mixture to a blender or food processor jar.

☐ Add 3 tablespoons butter to the skillet and add the chicken livers and cook until they are browned but still pink on the inside (about 3-4 minutes). Season livers highly with salt and pepper, add the cognac and cook until it has completely evaporated. Remove livers to a chopping board and mince finely. Cool to room temperature.

☐ Add livers to apple mixture in blender and add 2 tablespoons cream (additional cream may be needed). Blend until mixture is smooth. Cool.

☐ Cream 10 tablespoons butter in a bowl, add liver paste and mix together well. Taste for seasoning and add optional truffles and juice.

☐ Pack mixture into a small terrine and chill for 30 minutes or until very cold. Pour clarified butter on top to cover surface of pâté completely. Cover terrine with plastic wrap and chill for 24 hours before serving. Serve with thin toast triangles or French bread. ■



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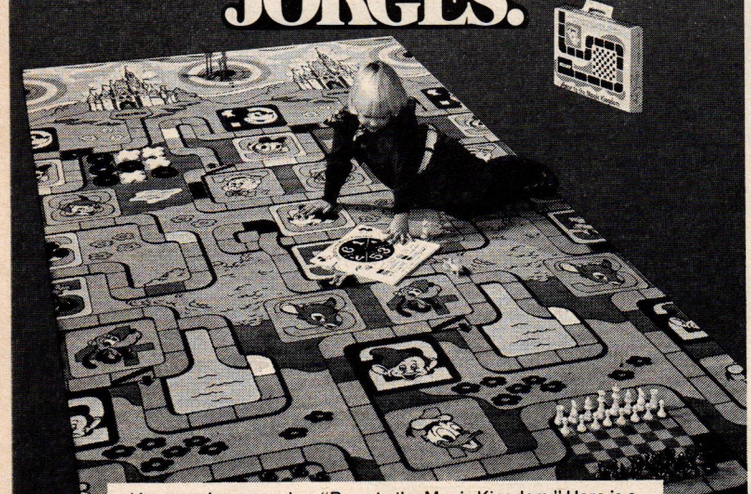

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How to mount a poster

Posters are art everyone can afford, and they make terrific Christmas presents (see some good ideas on page 164). But sometimes the cost of mounting a poster can be greater than the price of the poster, unless you do the job yourself. David D. Lingwood, president of Modernart Editions (they're the people who mount all the posters for the museum of Modern Art Poster Shop in New York) and his assistant Jim Ladden show how. The process they use is known as museum mounting. Neither glued like wet-mounted posters nor covered with gelatin tissue like dry-mounted ones, museum-mounted posters are tightly sealed in a sort of super-Baggie, heat shrunk to fit.

To museum mount a poster, you will need:

A pencil
½-inch Fome-core mounting board or
¼- to 3/16-inch display board (available at art supply stores)
1-inch white masking tape
Mat knife
Metal ruler
Plastic shrink film (order from Arthur Brown & Bro., 2 W. 46th St., New York, N.Y. 10036. $1.50 per yard; minimum mail order $25, enough for more than 5 posters)
Food-bag sealer (under $20 where small appliances are sold)
High-power hair drier

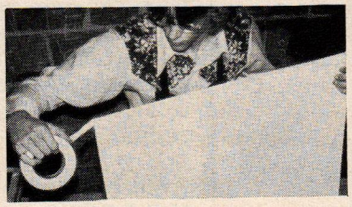
To mount the poster

1. Lay poster on a piece of display board and mark its corners on board with pencil, indicating with arrows the top of poster.

Mr. Lingwood uses ½-inch Fome-core as a backing, which gives the posters a custom look, but you can use ¼- or 3/16-inch display board, if you prefer.

2. Using mat knife and ruler, cut board slightly larger than poster, so that the poster will not pucker when it is sealed in the plastic. Do not dig the knife into the board, but rather run knife gently along board 3 or 4 times, letting the tool do the work. You will get a smoother, straighter line that way.

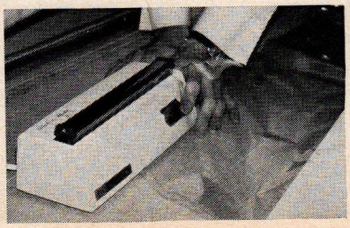
3. Tape the edges of the board, using one continuous piece of



1-inch white masking tape, **above.** Snip the corners of the tape, then smooth edges starting from center and moving outwards.

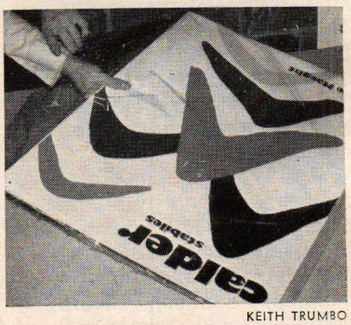
4. Cut double sheet of plastic shrink film—it comes folded down center—1½ inches larger than poster on all sides.

5. Seal plastic as close to edges as possible on 2 sides, **below,** to form



a giant Baggie. Professionals use a special heat press to seal plastic, but a kitchen-size food-bag sealer will do the job.

6. Open the bag and slide in poster and backing at same time, **below.** Bag will be larger than poster.

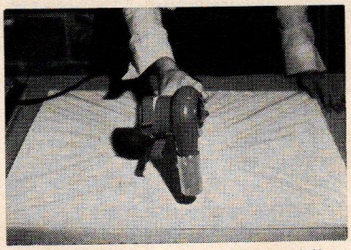


KEITH TRUMBO

7. Check to make sure poster has not slipped; seal up fourth side.

8. Use a nail to make a small round hole in plastic on back of poster. This allows trapped air to escape.

9. To shrink plastic so it will fit poster, set a high-wattage, hand-held hair drier on "hot" and focus heat first on poster back, **below,**



working from center out, avoiding air hole. This will draw seams to back so they will not show. Apply heat until plastic fits snugly.

10. Paste-on, magnetic, or suction hooks, available at art supply and hardware stores, can be used to give your poster the final touch. ■

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This brings up another aspect of the vitalizing power of giving—the individual giving that keeps alive our cultural and charitable organizations—an aspect to be remembered when you're making up your present lists. For many friends, the perfect present may be a contribution in their name to their favorite cause, or, if you don't know what theirs is, here are three among the many worthwhile ones to start you off: The National Trust for Historic Preservation, 740-748 Jackson Place, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006, is a leader in preserving America's architectural heritage—buildings, sculpture, fountains, parks, gardens, bridges, neighborhoods of historical importance. It not only buys and administers historical sites, it offers all kinds of help to those who wish to preserve and restore. The $15 tax-deductible annual membership gives many bonuses including a monthly newsletter and *Historic Preservation,* its quarterly magazine.

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The following pages are filled with festive ideas—party plans, presents to make or buy, ways to raise money for a good cause—but what really counts is the giving,

GIVING WITH HEART

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THE NEW INFORMALITY

THINK INFORMAL

It's the personal side that counts more and more in today's unstructured entertaining—your party is an extension of yourself.

The style of parties has changed. Everyone knows that. Smaller spaces, less money, and no help have altered the way we get together with people to have fun. There is more mobility today; people are not accepting the kinds of rigid molds that were handed down in earlier times. There are not so many explicit rules. It's rather like the difference between classical music and jazz.

Today's musical freedom depends largely on improvisation. What about today's hostess—does she not have more freedom of personal expression also? Think about it for a moment. A formal dinner, with place cards, three set courses, coffee and brandy, has a structure all its own, which those attending know and follow to the letter. Informal entertaining, on the other hand, tends to have a diffuse form, dictated mainly by improvisation from hostess and guests. People move about and sit in different places; some may be drinking coffee while others still eat salad. "Help yourself," is a call to freedom.

I give and go to about the same number of parties as most people, I expect. But recently I began to look more carefully at how these more informal affairs were changing the way hostesses and guests behave. I began to wonder what new demands these parties put upon people, what elements are needed to ensure I have a good time, whether giving or going to a buffet or casual get-together. I was fascinated by what I learned—and I think you, too, will be entertained by what's happening in the evolution of our social mores.

Today's parties, free from the conventions of earlier social forms, reflect a less settled, more mobile society. At the United Nations, for instance, almost all entertaining is buffet, because the society there fluctuates so enormously, with the constant comings and goings of diplomats. In a typical American suburban community, a casual buffet can happily introduce and absorb a new couple without long getting-to-know-you preliminaries.

But the move to more relaxed entertaining, though psychically healthy, places new demands on the hostess, who must learn a completely new set of skills. Some of her duties are much simpler: The rice can appear later if it's not yet cooked; guests can show up at different times; she needn't worry about male/female match-ups; people can leave early without making a hole in the table. But she must see that the space is comfortable for everybody; she must constantly be on the watch to see that guests don't get "stuck"; her party must be justified in the eyes of the guests.

Sometimes this is very hard. "There are no fixed rules handed down from our parents any more," says Eileen Simpson, New York psychologist and author of *The Maze* (Simon and Schuster). "Many young people are having to do things by themselves for the first time. You're on stage without a prompter—it's true improvisation—and the guests have to trust you. So you should only plunge into it if you're in good shape and feel confident that you can do it successfully."

The first, most obvious new test in a party that is not the conventional 6 or 8 sit-down dinner at a dining table is—SPACE. One of the foremost experts on the subject of personal space is Edward T. Hall, Professor of Anthropology at

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By Caroline Seebohm

THINK BUFFET

when you want to entertain lots of people easily and attractively—and enjoy the party yourself

Think Big: the 12-inch plate

THIS IS THE PLATE that could launch a thousand buffets, *right*. It's 12 inches big (actual size shown), and can hold nearly everything you could possibly want to eat at one time—no food shooting off onto dinner dresses, no mixing the mustard sauce with the dinner roll. Just put it on your lap and it's your mini-dining table. Why did nobody think of it before? 12-inch white plate and sterling dinner fork, from Tiffany. For more party pieces, see page 158

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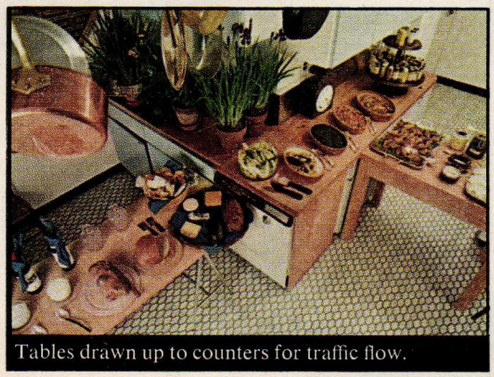
actual size

William and Chessy Rayner make final preparations.

For dessert, a compote of poached apricots, plums, pears, and peaches in glass bowls.

Help yourself to hearty food straight from the cooks' counter



Tables drawn up to counters for traffic flow.

"The whole point of a buffet is to make it good, but not so difficult to execute that you have to spend hours cooking," says Chessy Rayner, who, with her husband William, put together a kitchen buffet for 24 in two days flat. "I think people have a good time at a buffet," says Mrs. Rayner. "They like the variety it offers —picking a little of this and a little of that. We cook easy things, simple and healthy food; because the simpler it is, the less room there is

THINK BUFFET KITCHEN CASUAL

for the new informality

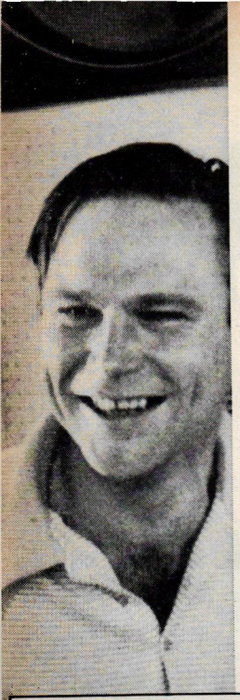
Corned beef and cabbage; tarragon chicken.

for faults." Variety in the menu is important for a Rayner party. "We always offer two meat dishes—something you might not normally have, like tongue or corned beef—and a simpler dish—such as the tarragon chicken here. We like a variety of vegetables—at least three—a good selection of cheeses and breads—my favorite part of the menu—a good, interesting mixed salad, and a simple dessert." For a large party, the Rayners set up a long zigzagged buffet in the kitchen, using kitchen tables drawn up to the counters. The buffet starts with plates piled on a small bamboo table and leads through the kitchen to the dining room where tables are set up. Decoration is supplied by potted plants on the buffet and kitchen counters, and brightly colored napkins tied around wine bottles. Vegetables are served in country-style earthenware dishes. For the Rayners' step-by-step party plan, their menus, and recipes, turn the page.

BEADLE

HOW TO PLAN YOUR OWN KITCHEN BUFFET PARTY

Dinner for 24 served buffet-style in the kitchen is one casual way William and Chessy Rayner like to entertain friends in their New York apartment. Here's their plan of action for shopping, cooking, setting up the party with the minimum of fuss and the maximum amount of preparty planning



MENU

*Chicken with tarragon**
*Corned beef and cabbage**
*White horseradish sauce**
Red horseradish sauce

*Carrots Français**
*Baked potato skins**
*Whisked potatoes**
*Creamed spinach**

Endive and Bibb lettuce salad

Assorted cheese, breads, crackers
*Poached fruit with whipped cream**

Blanc de blancs
Red Bordeaux

Two weeks ahead	The day before	Day of the party
Invite guests by telephone. "I never try to invite anyone more than two weeks ahead. It makes it too awkward to refuse. What can you say except 'yes' when asked to come to dinner ages ahead." Order plants and flowers to be delivered the day before.	*Set the tables. Arrange flowers. "I try never to have the tables look quite the same twice; setting ahead gives me time to experiment with different flower arrangements, tablecloths, china, and glass." Shop for staples. Cook dessert.*	*Shop early on the way to work for vegetables, cheese, bread, meats. "Shopping the day of the party minimizes chances of ending up with dehydrated vegetables and ammoniated cheeses." Cook meats, vegetables, prepare salad.*

A successful party that guests—and hosts—can enjoy depends, for Chessy and William Rayner, on advance planning. They're both professionals—she an interior designer, he a publishing executive. Together they've written *Cooking By The Clock* (New American Library). They lead busy lives, so their party preparations must be done early. Menus are chosen for simplicity: Simple foods are always popular, and they take the least time to prepare. "The important thing is not to tense up; parties are for *everyone* to have a good time," says Mrs. Rayner. "I telephone invitations; I don't want to be too formal or the whole thing becomes a production. I do as much as possible the day before the party. If you wait to do everything at the last minute, you can bet the day you give the party is the day there's an emergency at the office." For flowers, Mrs. Rayner usually has one arrangement of cut wild flowers in the living room and plants for the kitchen and dining room. She sets up the tables (two or three round ones) in the dining room, and buys all the staples, tinned goods, and things that don't spoil the day before. "We always make an effort to stay in the night before a party so that we can do some of the cooking. Usually Bill makes the soup if there is one, and I make the dessert. But we often do them together to make them go faster. On the day of the party, I get up early and shop for the meat, cheese, breads, and vegetables." At 3:30 Margaret McAndrews (who has been helping at the Rayner parties for 20 years) arrives and starts preparing vegetables and salad greens. "She knows our ways. She undercooks the vegetables just the way we like, and if we can't get back to the kitchen to do the last little twirl of something, she finishes things off and gets food onto the platters. (Two more helpers arrive to serve drinks, and later, seconds). Bill comes home about 7 and we finish cooking the hour before guests arrive. Everyone is invited for 8:15, and I tell them that we sit down to dinner at 9. They can arrive at 8:15 on the button or at five-to-nine and skip cocktails—I don't care," says Mrs. Rayner, who finds some friends prefer to have their apéritifs at home and arrive at the last moment and others like to come early enough for two cocktails. "I think people should be allowed to drink what they like; we always have plenty of wine of both colors and everything else anyone might choose. We also make tea for those who prefer it to coffee after dinner. If you have people in your home, you should—to the best of your ability—give them what pleases them without going overboard." Drinks are served in the library; then guests help themselves from the buffet in the kitchen and sit at tables in the dining room. From then on they're waited on.

"These are the groceries you need to feed 24 people"

8 small broiling chickens
3 3-pound packages corned beef
1 pound sliced bacon
1 bunch fresh tarragon
8 heads of green cabbage
6 12-ounce packages baby carrots
1 bunch parsley
1 head Bibb lettuce
24 baking potatoes
1 head Boston lettuce
8 pounds spinach
6 heads endive
½ pound mushrooms
2 bottles white horseradish sauce
2 bottles red horseradish sauce
3 pints heavy cream
2 pints light cream
1 quart milk
3 pounds lightly salted butter
flour
salt
pepper, whole and cracked
1 tin dry English mustard
2 jars Dijon mustard
olive oil
herb vinegar
2 cans apricots
4 cans half Bartlett pears
4 cans cling peaches
3 cans pitted plums
1 package brown sugar
cheese: Pont-L'Eveque, l'Explorateur, Reblochon, Chevre
bread: pumpernickel, rye, crusty white, assorted crackers
wines: red Bordeaux and Blanc de blancs
coffee, tea
FOR THE BAR:
Bourbon, scotch, vodka, gin, dry sherry, red Dubonnet, cognac, green mint, poire
soda
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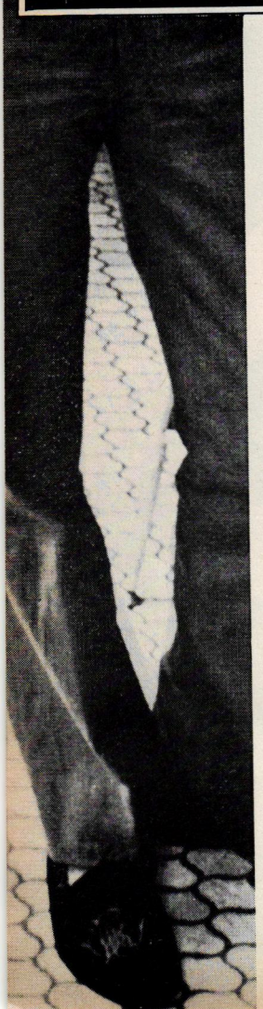
soft drinks

"People have a good time at a buffet because they can choose what they like"



On the buffet, from left to right: *dessert,* always something simple, here bowls of poached fruits—apricots, Bartlett pears, cling peaches, and plums are served in glass bowls, with whipped cream served separately. A *board of cheeses* picked for variety. Favorites of the Rayners are l'Explorateur (a triple cream cheese), Reblochon, Pont-L'Eveque, and Chevre (goat cheese). With them, crusty breads: pumpernickel, rye, and crackers. *Salad*—endive, Bibb, and Boston lettuces, tossed with chopped mushrooms and a light vinaigrette dressing. *Vegetables*—served in oval baking dishes—creamed spinach, carrots tossed in butter and parsley, whisked potatoes, and for those who count calories, potato skins roasted to a delicious crispness with a touch of butter. *Two meat dishes,* a mainstay at all Rayner parties: here, corned beef sliced thinly and served with wedges of cabbage and a horseradish sauce; and roasted chicken cut into small pieces, baked with fresh tarragon, and basted with white wine.

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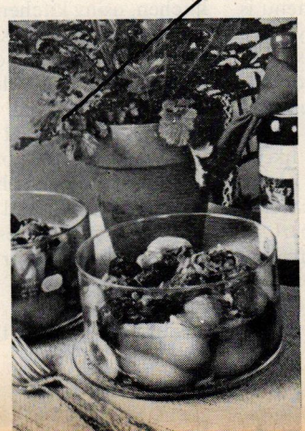
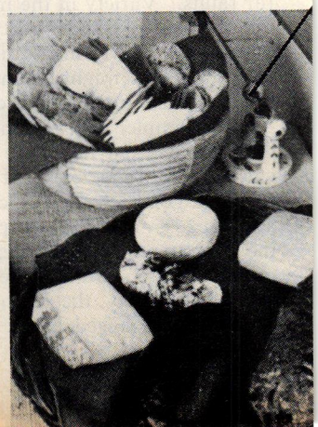
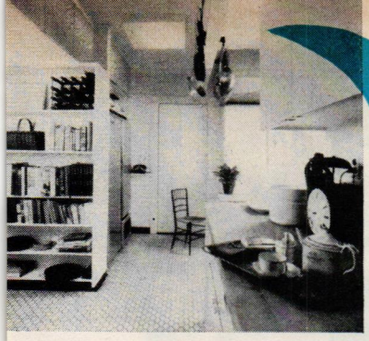
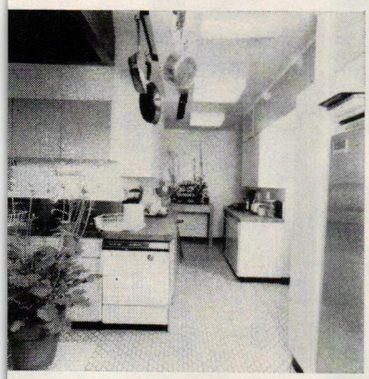
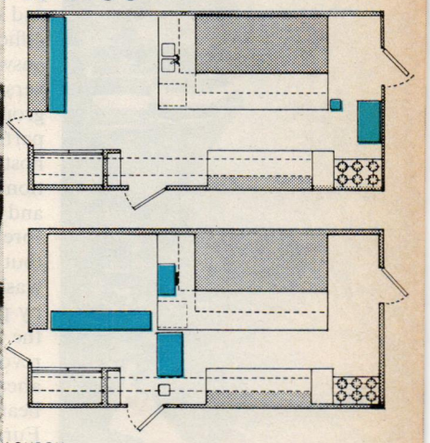








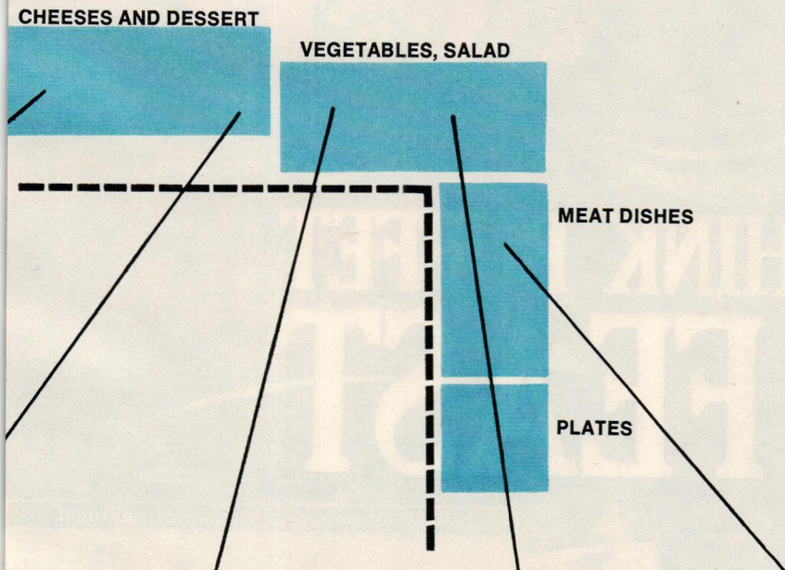
"We can set up a buffet by simply rearranging the kitchen tables"

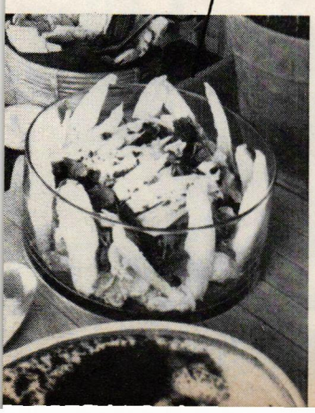


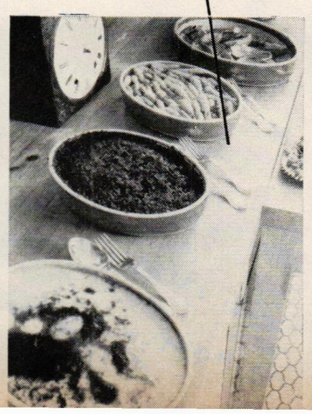
LONDON

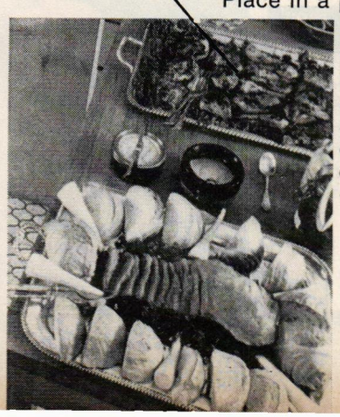
Functional kitchen quick-changes to a festive buffet with the minimum of props. *Above,* Formica tabletop that rests on chrome sawhorses is covered with straw cloth and pushed against the dishwasher. Chopping-block Parsons table bridges the gap between counters. A small bamboo table holds plates. The sink is disguised with chopping blocks and a parade of plants—yellow geum and blue iris—that continues on the counters and tables. Three views of the kitchen's everyday look, *left top:* bookshelves crammed with cookbooks and wine; *center:* huge refrigerator; *below:* wall-hung basket collection.

Kitchen plan, above top, *and* below, *rearranged for buffet. Tables drawn up to counters allow a logical flow that starts from hall entrance, exits through dining room where guests are seated.*









CHICKEN WITH TARRAGON

Ingredients

8 small broiling chickens
¼ pound butter
salt, pepper
1 bunch fresh tarragon, chopped or 2 tablespoons dried
1 cup dry white wine

Method

☐ Have the butcher divide the chickens into 6 pieces each and bone the breasts. Place the chickens in a broiling pan and dot with butter, season with salt and pepper, and sprinkle generously with the tarragon leaves. Place in a preheated 350° oven and roast 35 minutes or until tender.

☐ Warm the wine in a small saucepan and baste the chicken after 10 minutes. Continue to baste frequently.

POACHED FRUIT

Ingredients

2 cans (30 ounces each) apricots
4 cans (29 ounces each) half Bartlett pears
4 cans (30 ounces each) half cling peaches
3 cans (16 ounces each) pitted plums
1 pint heavy cream, whipped
brown sugar

Method

☐ Drain syrup from apricots, pears, peaches, and 1 can of plums. Drain syrup from remaining 2 cans of plums into a bowl and reserve.

☐ Divide the fruit evenly between 2 3-quart casseroles. Add half of the reserved plum syrup to each casserole. Bake for 1½ hours at 350°. Stir every half hour. Serve with whipped cream, brown sugar.

Additional recipes, page 188.

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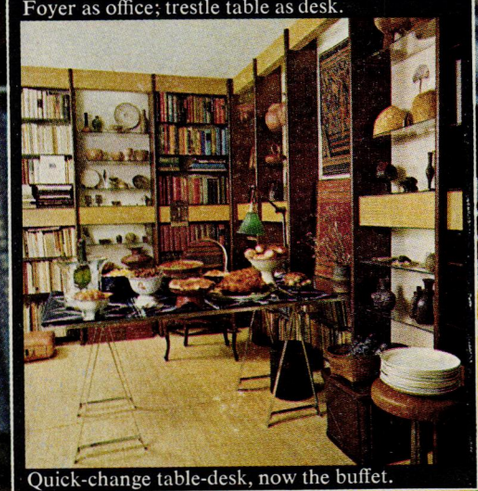
THINK BUFFET

DESK-TOP FEAST

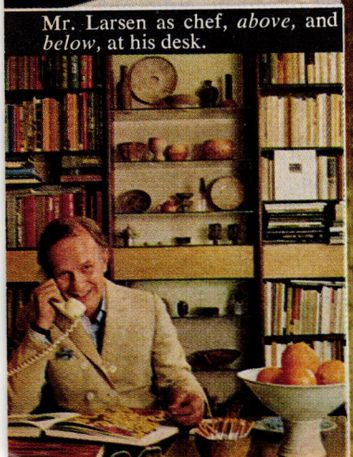
Entertaining in a small apartment is easy if rooms do double duty. Here, a foyer that's also a home office turns into a buffet center when desk is dressed up with cloth, napkins, and tempting food. The organizer of it all is Jack Lenor Larsen, a fabric designer (his newest fabric, "Pastorale," on the wall behind him, *left,* is so wide it can wrap around a room on its side) who likes to entertain before or after an event —theatre or a meeting. "For working professionals it makes a lot of sense, and since seating more than six can be difficult in small space, buffets are the answer. People have better conversations when they break into groups of two or three and can switch partners freely." When guests and host arrive home together, organization is the key. Buffet is set, platters and bowls chosen, in the morning before leaving. Mr. Larsen had his large (but still the right size for the dishwasher) porcelain buffet plates made by potter Jim Makin, who also made the soup and dessert bowls. The menu revolves around versatile, make-ahead dishes like ham and black beans. When Mr. Larsen travels to Europe on business he brings special breads and tinned meats back by the bagful. "I go so often now that I don't have the time to shop, so I spend my $100 allowance on food." For this party the Brötli (rolls that look like scorched potatoes) are from Zurich. The other bread is made from pork fat and is "short" enough not to need buttering. The onion-and-orange salad with hearts of crisp romaine has its own plates. Dressing is a free adaptation of Helen Corbitt's poppy seed dressing. "I don't measure out my dressings, but I do taste them and adjust." For this desk-top feast for 14, a barman made the rice, and helped pass the asparagus (sauce is homemade mayonnaise with mashed garlic) and the walnut soup, while guests were still standing with their drinks.

Foyer as office; trestle table as desk.



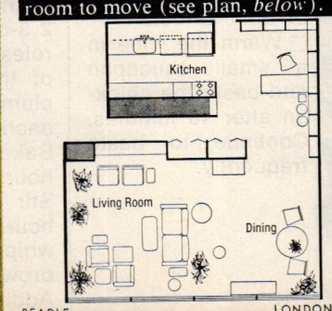
Quick-change table-desk, now the buffet.

Mr. Larsen as chef, *above,* and *below,* at his desk.



For dessert, Mr. Larsen whipped up a strawberry mousse, learned from the Cafe Widder in Zurich, on the living room table. Recipes, page 188.

Furniture arrangement gives people room to move (see plan, *below*).



First course: asparagus, walnut soup in living room.

Treat yourself to food from world travels, cooked ahead or prepared before your eyes

Blue Cocktail (vodka and blue curaçao.)

MENU

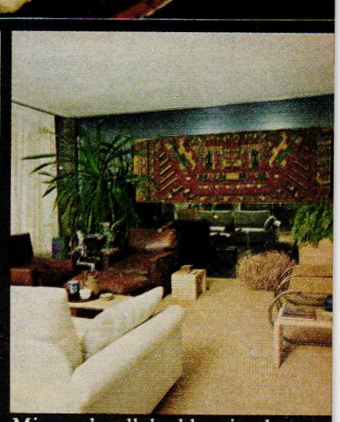
Asparagus spears with garlic sauce
*Walnut soup**

*Baked ham with kumquats**
*Cuban black beans with peas and pimientos**
White rice • Green beans with pecans
Red onion and orange salad
Pork bread • Brötli
Green tomato and amber pickles

*Fraises à la Widder (Strawberry mousse)**

Champagne

Drink tray set up in living room.



Mirrored wall doubles visual space.

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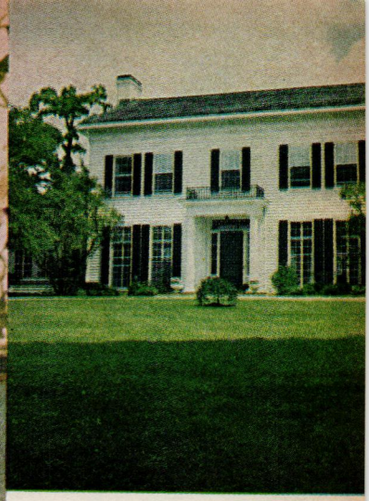
A HOUSE FOR A FAMILY TO GROW ON



When you have a growing family, decorating can take on whole new dimensions—and can often turn into an adventure in psychology and future-casting as well as furniture plans and paint. Mr. and Mrs. Orin Lehman discovered this for themselves

Having the pool table in the living room makes the room inviting even when you're alone. And when you have guests, it brings everyone together.

when they decided to fix up their country house for summers and year-round weekends away from the city. "When I was single, I only had to please myself," says Mrs. Lehman, who, as artist Wendy Vanderbilt, has strong ideas about color and pattern. "Now I have to consider a husband and two little girls (Brooke, 4½, and Sage, 18 months)—not only the way we each live now, but the way we're likely to be living several years from now. What kind of entertaining will we be doing when the girls are older? What kind will *they* want to do?" The house added a voice of its own. It wanted a feeling of tradition worthy of a country house said to have served as one of Washington's headquarters during the Revolution. "The result is a 1970s-informal version of an old country house," says Keith Irvine of decorators Irvine and Fleming. "We used surprising colors (Wendy's influence), put a pool table in the living room (Orin's idea), and used lots of straw and cotton. For an old house, it's very young."

The living room, left, *"is like sunshine," with yellow ceiling and curtains, and hugely flowered pink walls that match the furniture's chintz. The rug is green straw. The enormous Dresden china lamps "we found at Orin's father's house." Above the sofa, a portrait of Mr. Lehman's mother, "for a sense of family tradition."*

HORST

A PUB FOR DINING, A FAMILY LIBRARY

As soon as you're inside the door you see colors—brilliant colors, clear colors, colors used in startling combinations—that let you know unmistakably that something interesting is going on here. The entrance hall, for instance, is two versions of blue, held together with white molding. "I think a house should be like a star,"

It's a good idea to decorate with an eye to the future. The French doors in the dining room lead to what will someday be a terrace for summer parties.

says Mrs. Lehman, with rooms radiating out from the entrance." This room used to be yellow—"but yellow is too vacant; you can put your hand through it." Just off the entrance is the library, one of the star's more brilliant points. Ruby-glazed walls, "because red is warm," play against curtains and furniture of equally gemlike sapphire blue cotton, edged with grosgrain ribbon in emerald green. This is where the family comes for music, books, TV. The Lehmans prefer this kind of cozy, cluttered decorating. "I love to visit friends who have beautiful modern all-white-and-glass rooms," says Mrs. Lehman, "but if I had one, I'm sure that I'd clutter it up." Mrs. Lehman has already begun haunting flea markets and antiques shops in the area. "I want to make this a real settled-in house full of countryfied things."

A step beyond the library is the dining room, Mr. Lehman's favorite because it was transformed just for him from white plaster to the beams and stucco of an English pub. The new ceiling is made of barn siding, and new beams in the walls support a collection of pewter, some English, some Chinese, that belonged to Mr. Lehman's mother. New French doors lead out to the garden beyond. "Orin is the gardener. He's never done it before, but he's learning, and he loves it."

In the dining room, opposite page, *a primitive looking dhurrie rug covers the old pegged floor.* Above left: *The grandfather's clock on the landing came with the house. "It's nice to have something that belonged here."* Left: *For the library, a surprise of blue, in fabrics, blinds, and a fireplace under an old family mantel.*

HORST

ROOMS DESIGNED FOR RELAXING

The bedroom is reigned over by the big bed, heaped with pillows and surrounded by curtains that hang from the ceiling. "I never use bedspreads anymore," says Mrs. Lehman. "We're all bed-sitters, and besides, I think an open bed is sexy and inviting." A portable TV propped near the fireplace across the room makes it inviting for children, too, to snuggle down contentedly for a morning with Big Bird. All around are stacks of books and papers, some Mr. Lehman's—formerly a Broadway producer (*The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-moon Marigolds*), he is

Every room ought to be really lived in. The sun porch is a family room and study during the summer—but the rose-printed chintz makes it summer all year round.

now New York State Commissioner of Parks and Recreation—some Mrs. Lehman's drawings. "We *use* this room," she says. "And besides, it's very Piscean, having things piled around this way." Mrs. Lehman enjoys the practical side of decorating. "I like to organize closets and storage according to how you use things, how you dress, how tall you are, how high you can reach." In the little sunroom, *opposite page,* her practicality may be totally camouflaged by rose-printed chintz, but it's nevertheless there. "This is the summertime family room," she says. The drink tray is here, and a backgammon table at which Mr. Lehman often does homework on pleasant weekends. Two facing sofas, each dressed in a different-hued version of the same chintz, are luxuriously heaped with pillows—equally conducive to conversation, curling up with a book, "or," says Mrs. Lehman, "catnapping."

Chintz roses and ribbons twine, right, *against pale blue and white bedroom walls and a soft grass-green carpet. Bed hangings are textured white cotton lined with pink stripes. The quilts on the bed and ottoman came from The Elder Craftsmen in New York. "If you take them a fabric or wallpaper sample, they'll make a quilt to go with it."* Opposite page: *More roses in the sunroom, used with old family wicker, a new straw rug. "The trellis was there; we sponged it green."*

HORST

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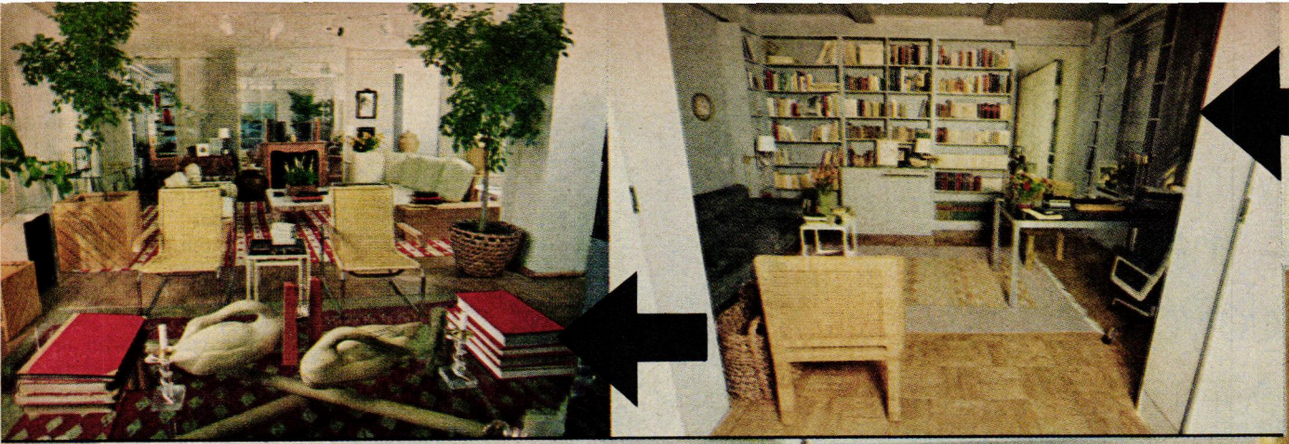
Decorating for the new informality

Rooms that live bigger than they are

When you want more light, more space, more flexible living, what do you do first? Open one room into another_

The idea was to live with a minimum of fuss and upkeep in an apartment full of light and the appearance of big spaces—in a blue-jean apartment as carefully conceived as a more traditional one. Furniture designer Alessandro Albrizzi started off with an unremarkable apartment in which most of the rooms were small and opened off a dark corridor. Although each room had some windows, they did not count for much. Architect-designer Tony Cloughley helped create the big spaces they needed. The wall between the living room and dining room was removed to create a freed up sunny space, *left*. Along the new uninterrupted south wall, the old windows are enough to flood the room with light. Now, without a formal dining room, Mr. Albrizzi sets up a table that seats four or six in a corner of the expanded room. Or, when he's entertaining a larger group, he uses the table as a buffet and lets people sit where they please. Cutting a wide doorway from the living room into what was previously a small bedroom further opened the space and created an office-library. Another wide opening was made between the library and the master bedroom by taking out a closet. Once this flow-through space was established, the decorating became a question of *keeping* the space open. The uncluttered arrangement of contemporary furniture, the pale floors and walls, plus the use of natural materials set a tone that stays constant. Pine doweling acts as a baseboard molding and a base for the low, glass-topped table Mr. Cloughley designed for the living room.

Everything about the room has a natural flavor, but with polish: the chrome and wicker chairs by I.C.F., the stone and wood coffee table, *opposite page lower left*, by L.C.S. Sofa near the fireplace, by Atelier International. Coury rugs. Painting above banquette by Maryann Harman.



Bedroom opens to library, which opens to living room.

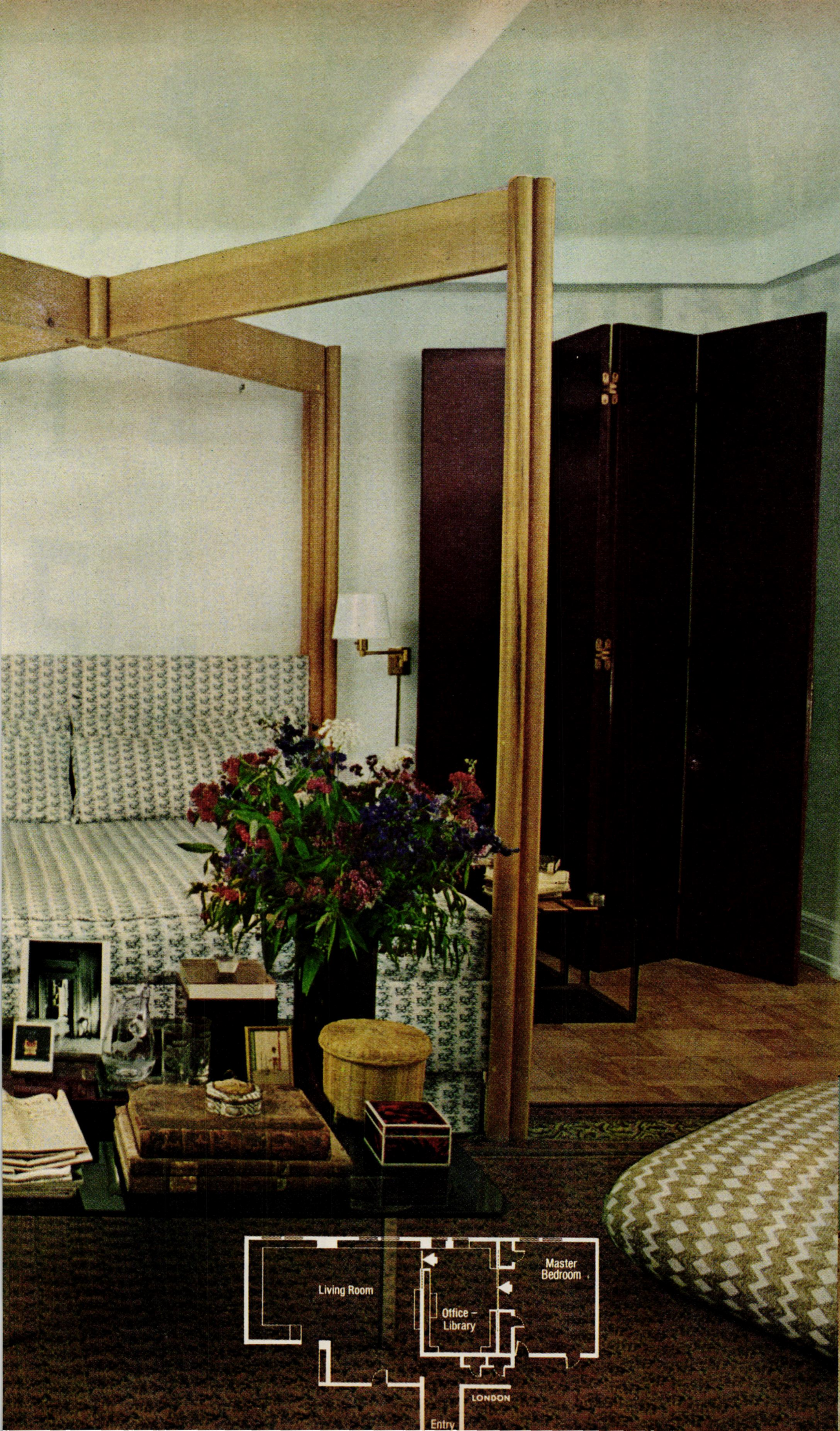
Rooms that live bigger than they are *continued*

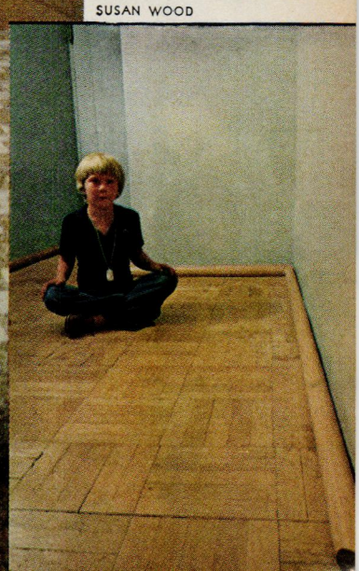
Sliding doors make spaces flexible

As easily as the rooms open up to create one continuous flow of space, they can also be closed off to live lives of their own. The bedroom can be made private for sleeping, and the office-library can revert to a separate working space. In the bedroom, *left,* the textures are natural, the colors, except for two four-panel red-lacquer screens, pale. Furniture is kept to a minimum: Albrizzi mirrored tables at bedside, a glass one at its foot, a small sofa—all surrounding the big canopy bed that Mr. Cloughley designed. The bedroom opens wide through sliding doors (see Mr. Albrizzi looking through, *opposite page, left)* into the library, *opposite page, top right,* a room filled with books and designing paraphernalia against an all-gray background. Through a similar sliding doorway, the library in turn opens into the living room, *opposite page, top left.* But because of the positioning of the doors (see floor plan, *below*), you can't see into the bedroom from the living room.

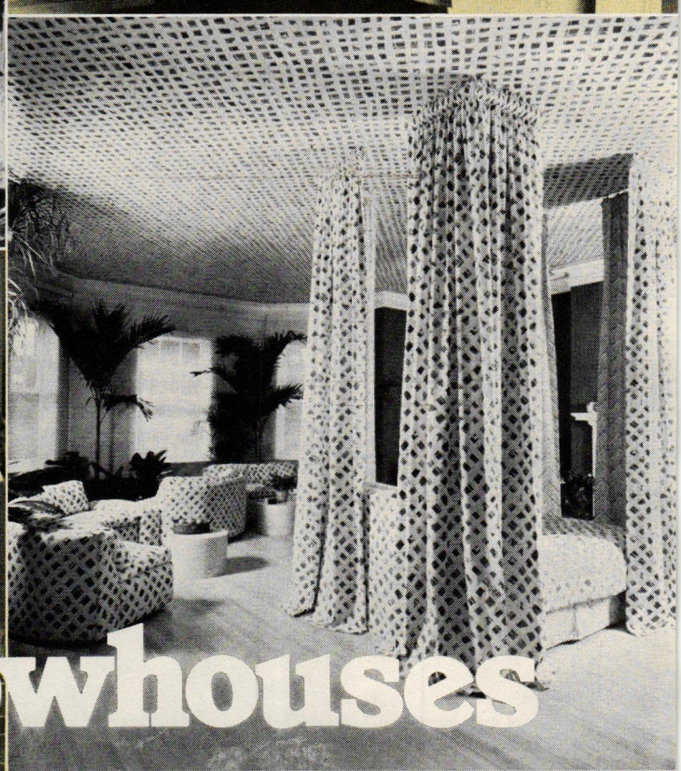
In the bedroom, matchstick blinds control the bright south light in which plants thrive. Left: dracaena massangeana in a basket on top of Albrizzi's famous white acrylic tables. In the living room, *opposite page, top left,* ficus benjamina and aralia trees in big slatted tubs by Dekorum for Philip Daniel. Below: Mr. Albrizzi's son Lorenzo.

SUSAN WOOD





Bazaars



Showhouses

Parties

How to raise money for a good cause *and have a good time doing it*

In the United States, nearly 80 percent of support for nonprofit health, social, and cultural institutions is donated by dedicated men and women who give their time, talents, and money. ***By Sandra Oddo***

The idea that private individuals have a responsibility to aid and support the worthy social institutions all of us benefit from seems to be uniquely American. Nowhere else do women and men donate time and professional skills the way Americans do. And all with verve, commitment, and a determination to have, and to provide, an enjoyable experience in the process. The National Endowment for the Arts estimates that, unlike any other country in the world, in this country private individuals supply nearly 80 percent of the support for nonprofit cultural organizations. Educational institutions, neighborhood houses, day care, rehabilitation, or recreation centers, drives against diseases, and the support of health care institutions, all depend upon the generosity of the public—embodied in millions of socially conscious private individuals—and their trust is not misplaced. People who plan fund-raising events are an imaginative breed. They must be, to find the infinite variations they do on money-raising festivities.

Auctions

For the cause closest to their hearts, people are happy to enjoy themselves. The House Party at the Lenox Hill Neighborhood House, opposite page, top: Before the auction, guests admire tables of food for sale, the handcrafts booth, and favorite soups and sauces in a show-off refrigerator. Opposite page, center: The executive committee of the Woman's Association of Morristown Memorial Hospital pause amid showhouse planning for a portrait. The bedroom is Albert Étienne Pensis's contribution to the showhouse. Opposite page, bottom: Setting up the Winter Party was a committee effort to save money (funds were raised for the Institute of International Education) by decorating the tables themselves. Above: At the Lenox Hill auction, bids and laughter. That's the key, of course: planning, the right people—and fun.

WILLIAM P. STEELE, CHRISTIAN REINHARDT, BEADLE, TED HARDIN

AUCTIONS

An auction may be one of the most frenzied forms of fund-raising for charity, and the most fun. The details upon details! Last year, when Louise Melhado coordinated the House Party and annual auction for the benefit of the Lenox Hill Neighbordhood Association in New York, she needed a secretary who worked for months, mostly cataloguing. "You've got to be fanatical about it," she says. "The auction was done by Edward Lee Cave at Sotheby Parke Bernet. When things come in, we catalogue them, send them for storage, where they're recatalogued, then before the auction, they're recatalogued a third time."

The House Party is called that for a reason: Albert Hadley, the vice-chairman, felt that no one knew what the Lenox Hill Neighborhood House was, and that those who support it would gain a feeling for it if they actually saw it. So the party is in the house itself, all through six stories of classrooms, clubrooms, craft rooms, and halls, decorated for the party this year by Robin Jacobson, formerly of Knoll. "You come in," says Mrs. Melhado, "look around, go into the auditorium for drinks, or go upstairs for a simple dinner: lamb stew and salad. You can wander through the bazaar, or look in on the silent auction (bids are written on slips of paper) run by H.O.H. Frelinghuysen, where things like trips, services, motorscooters, belly-dancing lessons are sold. At 8 P.M. the auction begins.

"The first year, we felt that the building would only accommodate 400 people," says Celine Marcus, executive director of Lenox Hill and, says Mrs. Melhado, inspiration to the House Party committee, "so many people wanted to come that we decided maybe it would hold 700. We're not sorry."

The key to the success of the House Party, they agree, is getting the very best things they can to auction off. Last year there were only sixty-six, each special enough to arouse competition and, *right,* smiles.

BAZAARS

The Lenox Hill House Party isn't just an auction. There are four big booths with special bazaar fare.

Food: It's "specialty of the house" from the houses of those on the committee, or responsive to requests. It's individual, and it is attractive. (Recipes for some favorites, page 96).

Crafts: Some of them are special little imports, but more are the handiwork of Neighborhood House people. Afghans and tablecloths from senior citizens, toys, painting, weaving. Again, it's a matter of organization, knowing which pair of hands is most deft, most willing, and which eye the most artistic.

Books and records: Rodney Pelter and Arthur Loeb, owners of the Madison Avenue Bookshop, managed this booth.

Small antiques: In the same room with the silent auction also managed by professionals.

The House Party will be on January 12, 1977 right after Martin Luther King Day, the one day when Lenox Hill House—a 24-hour affair—is closed. Right after the holidays people might seem partied-out—but the House Party raised $200,000 for Lenox Hill this year.

PARTIES

For some eighteen years, the Diamond Ball, usually held at the Plaza Hotel, was a festive meeting of friends interested in the Institute for International Education. This year, for the first time, it was The Winter Party—"*The* Winter Party," explains Mrs. Tassos Fondaras, one of the executive committee. It was held at the Rainbow Room. "We felt we needed a new look, a new perspective. People don't give balls any more."

But they do have parties. With food, and frivolity, and music, and dancing, for a good cause. Planning begins nearly a year ahead. From September through the third or fourth Wednesday of January, the traditional day, it's all-out. And all of the planning is aimed, as it should be for a party, at making the guests feel special. There are door prizes from such donors as Van Cleef & Arpels and Harry Winston—and favors from designer Mimi Di N (Princess Romanov), and from Estée Lauder, both members of the committee. "There isn't a chairman, really," Mrs. Fondaras says, "just a committee."

To hold down the costs this year the women of the executive committee designed, made, and installed all the decorations—peach-colored tablecloths topped with circles of silvery Mylar; centerpieces of frosted feathers, wintry and gay. They took in, at the party, more than $100,000. "It was work," says Mrs. Walker Cain, "but we had so much fun."

DECORATORS' SHOWHOUSES

The showhouse is an idea growing in popularity —almost every one of the forty-four chapters of the American Society *(Continued on page 190)*

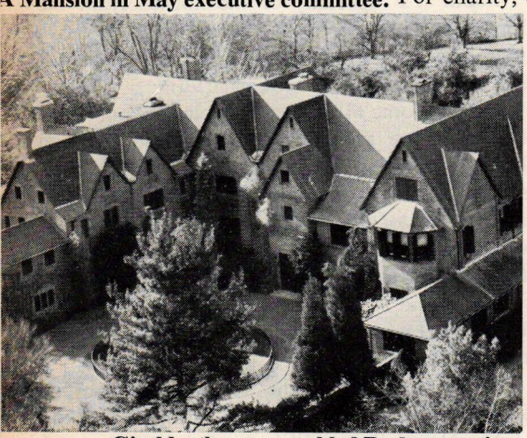
For a good cause *continued*

How one Decorators' Showhouse raised more than $250,000

CHRISTIAN REINHARDT

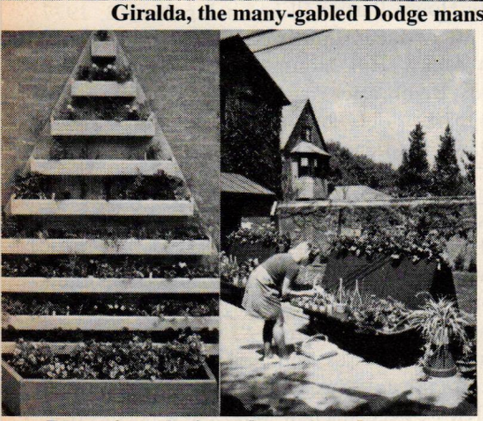
A Mansion in May executive committee.

It was a long and difficult job, and it took more than a year. A few of the women worked at it full time, a few hundred worked many long hard days, and a few thousand more paid $5 for the privilege of working a few hours each, showing the house, parking cars. There were nearly 50 rooms to decorate, a stable to transform, food to arrange. Sixty thousand guests were expected—and they all came. What was it for? For charity, of course. For fun. As a result of their labor on "A Mansion in May," a designers' showhouse at the former Geraldine Rockefeller Dodge estate in New Jersey, the members of the Woman's Association of The Morristown Memorial Hospital were able to give the hospital a net amount of more than a quarter of a million dollars. And the people who came were able to benefit from the creative imaginations of interior designers applied to a rather awesome set of old-house problems: cast-iron radiators in every room, small dark spaces or echoing barns of rooms, not enough windows, odd shapes, uneven plaster, and paint—or lack of it—that went way back. The Woman's Association helped strip and scrub (even that became a party, they say), to leave a clear field for the designers' new ideas.



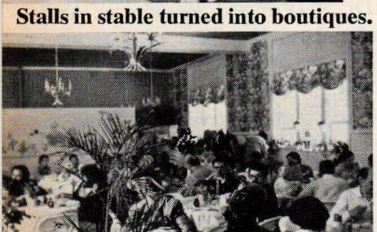
MICHAEL J. GRANT

Giralda, the many-gabled Dodge mansion.

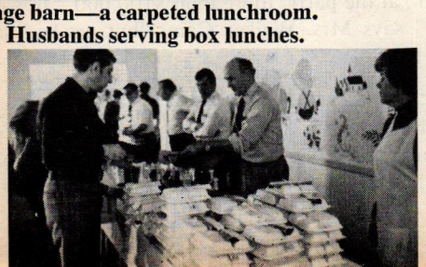


Plants for sale: in racks, on benches.

Stalls in stable turned into boutiques.



Carriage barn—a carpeted lunchroom. Husbands serving box lunches.



Out of that wealth of rooms, a few of the designers' solutions: 1. An entrance like a gazebo designed by Mary Pearson How, its arched ceiling canvas-covered and painted by Michael A. Murdolo with clouds and birds. 2. A solarium by Barbara Ostrum, terra-cotta tiled, its ceiling rayed with painted bamboo. 3. The first of a series of small rooms by Chuck Winslow, an apartment within the main house: a place to sleep and work. Awkward closet doors became bookcases; triangular desk and dais open up space. 6. The apartment's living and dining room, made from a long, old sun porch. 9. In Chuck Winslow's bath, old plumbing gets a sense of humor. 4. Designed by Edwin Cossitt, Judy Thaler, and Joel Lauden, a third-floor room became a cool, quiet studio with a modular sofa, antique Peruvian blankets. 5, 8. A matched pair of rooms, two of the many master bedrooms in the house. Here they are anything but twins. Robert Perkins turned the one on the left, 5, into a strong simple room with coffee-colored floor and walls inspired by the Ming vase between the windows. Albert Étienne Pensis of W & J Sloane let loose a fantasy in its mate, 8, giving the whole room over to a multicolored random-square print. 7. Bed takes advantage of an odd wall niche. The fabric is designer Sybil Connolly's own, based on an old French porcelain design. 10. Jeanne T. O'Mara made old fixtures new with paper, chaise, and a plaster rabbit.

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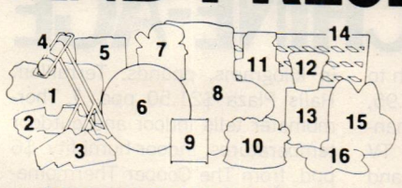
Eight designers show how to make friends with an old house, turn its eccentricities into assets

AND PRESENTS THAT COME NATURALLY



waxed woods as *their* ancestors'. Oval boxes $18 to $50, carriers $30 to $45. From Eclectic Woodworking. **8** For snuggly warmth, Peruvian Pucara alpaca wool blanket with a sunburst pattern. Naturally fire-retardant. Imported by Golden Gate Imports. About $75 at Marshall Field. **9** "Time-on-the-ceiling" alarm clock projects digital time on ceiling, tells time face-to-face. $31.45 ppd. Hammacher Schlemmer. **10** Trompe l'oeil "Onions in a Basket" sculpture. All of clay—even the burlap sacking. One of a kind—this one, 9 inches across, $120. By Anne M. Cembalest. From Incorporated. **11** Blue boxes papered in marvelous marbleized patterns, to hold the practical as well as precious. From top: recipe file with cards, $5; rectangular box, $4; letter box, $8; file box with folders, $10. From Faroy, at Cargo Houston. **12** Roll-rimmed, terra-cotta flowerpot, handmade in Italy. 7 inches tall, $14.50; 5 inches tall, $10.25. From White Flower Farm. **13** The flowerpot squared—handmade terra-cotta planters that come glazed or unglazed. 9 inches square, $45; 5½ inches square, $25. Rectangular shapes available. From Jean-Jacques Bloos. **14** A doormat that keeps dirt out from under. Of handsome ponderosa pine. 18 by 36 inches. $18 ppd. from The Horchow Collection. **15, 16, 17, 18** *(see below)* Take a butterfly under your wing—whimsical needlepoint pillows, here in black and white. Complete kits are $40, $30, $50, $40 each, respectively. Needlepoint Design by Lou Gartner for Bloomingdale's. **19** Camel-colored blanket of Australian merino wool, bound in chocolaty brown velvet, $60. With its pillow sham, $30, all you need to make the bed. By Countess York. Bloomingdale's. **20** No-nonsense 2-quart tin watering can with a long, accurate spout. By Rubel. $12.50 at Hess's. **21** Exercise appeal: roll-up exercise mat of batiky quilted polyester and cotton is ready when you are. 3 by 6 feet. By Peacock Alley. $40. Neiman-Marcus. **22** Hearty-sized plate, bowl, and cup for breakfast, lunch, or tea—the "BLT" set, stacked and tied in the traditional Japanese manner. Of glazed Japanese stoneware that's dishwasher- and microwave-oven-safe. Shown here in bluestone. By Dansk. $16 at Crate & Barrel.

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TOM YEE

FOR NATURE LOVERS

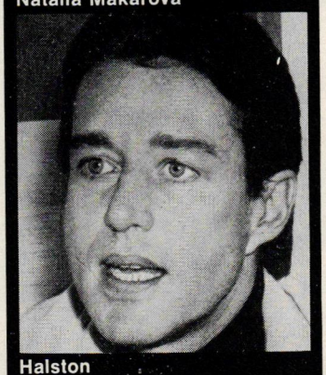
Send someone you love to the South Pole: Lindblad has 35-day cruises, $4400 to $6625 complete with frostbite, but not with air fare home to port. For vicarious vacationers, a new travel book plus a huge soft cocoon of a hammock ($40 to $60 at The Mexican Folk Art Annex) to trip out in. Save the world—by sending gift memberships to the National Audubon Society ($15) or the Environmental Defense Fund ($15).

CHRISTMAS GIVING

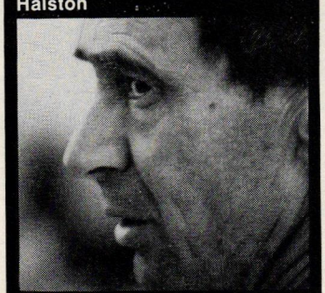
NATALIA MAKAROVA, *dancer and unforgettable Giselle*
We give presents in Russia on New Year's, so the custom of Christmas is new to me. I enjoy trying to find presents that suit each friend's personality. When I see something I think they'd like, I buy it. I don't wait for Christmas.

Natalia Makarova

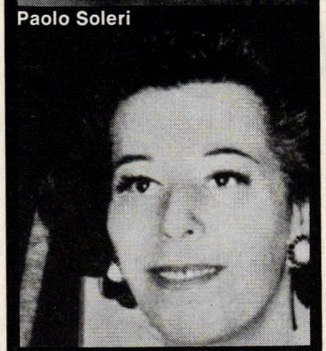
HALSTON, *designer of things to make you look and feel beautiful*
This year I'm going to give my friends all the different useful things we design —cashmere blankets, bath towels, sheets, comforters, perfume, men's fragrance, men's soap, things for the bath. I love to receive equally personal gestures from friends—because something you give of yourself is more special than a present you go out and buy. I'd like a painting or drawing from an artist friend, a poem from a poet, a book someone's written, an afghan they've knitted, a cake they've made. For example, my favorite present from my mother is a big box of all the different kinds of decorated Christmas cookies she bakes.


Halston

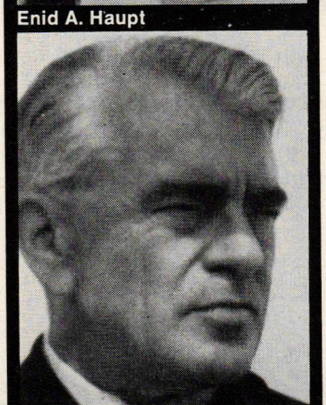
PAOLO SOLERI, *bell-ringing architect*
We like to make our own presents— bronze windbells in all sizes and shapes.


Paolo Soleri

ENID A. HAUPT, *friend to flowers*
The greatest joy for me is to give a plant I have grown. If I haven't one I think is unusual enough, I try to buy a plant that I think the person I'm sending it to will enjoy. My second favorite choice is to give the newest book, whether it be one of art, food, wine, or crafts. The greatest pleasure in giving is to have the gift be very personal. Therefore I oniy send something I'd enjoy having or using myself.


Enid A. Haupt

HORST, *photographer of houses, gardens—and beautiful women*
What I'd really like is an indoor swimming pool in a greenhouse—it wouldn't have to be big. I just want to keep swimming after October without having to go to Florida. It would be wonderful to swim amidst tropical plants and watch the snow fall outside at the same time—and a present for one's health, which is the most important thing in the world.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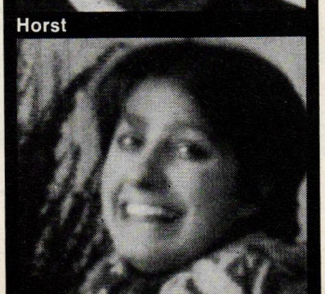
ZANDRA RHODES, *designer and spinner of fantasies*
A Cadillac—no, hang on. I'd like central heating. My Victorian house is still without proper heating. Also, then I could have a banana palm . . . As for what I like to give, either I give something of my very own that a friend has admired, or I give my Zandra Rhodes special edition caftans which are made up at the last minute from leftover prints.


Zandra Rhodes

DENA MAKAROVA
HANS MAYR
KAREN RADKAI

TOM YEE

MACHINE-AGE

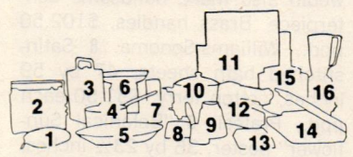
Fifty feet of vinyl hose, **1,** attach to indoor faucet. Casaplanta. $12.95, Bloomingdale's. **2** Portable 7-channel AM-FM radio receives TV sound, CB, weather, aircraft, and VFH public service radio. "Super Seven," General Electric, $76.95. **3** Six-pound 2-way citizen's band radio, the "TranSSportable" by Trans-Comm. $224.95, Hammacher Schlemmer. **4, 5** Even-heating cookware of Armetale alloy. 1¾-quart saucepan, $34. ¾- and 2-quart gratin pans, $13.50 and $22. By Mary Bond for Wilton Armetale. **6** Kitchen scale, weighs in kilograms, pounds. Terraillon. Halls Plaza $21.50 ppd. **7** Thermometer tells indoor and outdoor temperatures, indoor humidity. $6 ppd. from The Cooper Thermometer Co. **8** Thirteen-piece tool kit: 6 screwdrivers, rule, hammer, awl, pliers, wrench, gimlet. $28.50 ppd. Hoffritz. **9** Digital electric rain gauge (See page 285). $49.95 ppd., Edmund Scientific. **10** Six-quart porcelain-clad aluminum pot, ovenproof to 350°, bakes, stews, roasts. Base solos as 7-by-11-inch grill. "Slo-Cooker Plus," $51, WestBend. **11** The best ma-

Other little helpers

□ The well-cut bean this season will be frenched by Burpee's tabletop bean frencher, $16.85 ppd. in the catalogue. □ For precision-accurate boiled eggs, the Terraillon kitchen timer, 3 inches across, in white or yellow. $10 at Bridge Kitchenware Corp. □ For belt-tighteners, a simple belt-hole puncher that makes any size eyelet you need. 9 inches long. $5.95 from the Brookstone Tool Catalogue. □ Mile-measurer for a marathon walker: a pedometer attached to your waistband or belt. Body vibrations set it to ticking off the distance. $13.50 at Abercrombie & Fitch.

PRESENTS THAT WORK FOR THEIR KEEP

chine—the human one—some of its workings make a board game for 2 to 4 people. "Circulation," Teaching Concepts. $12.95, Lord & Taylor. **12** Italian electric pasta machine can also knead, roll dough. $134.45 ppd., Williams-Sonoma. **13** Battery-operated "Home Sentry" smoke alarm. $54.95, General Electric. **14** Beginner's electronic tool kit: soldering tools, pliers, diagonal cutters, wire strippers, ¼-inch nut driver, slotted and Phillips screwdrivers. By Weller-Xcelite. $35.95 at Cole & Son. **15** Kitchen machine mixes,



beats, slices, shreds, blends, liquifies. Dishwasher-safe attachments include 6-cup blender **(16),** 16-cup bowl, whisk, dough hook. Many options. Bosch. $260 ppd., Hammacher Schlemmer. **17** Swiss pruner with replaceable parts. Felco. $22 ppd., New York Botanical Garden. **18** Tape measure, spirit level, compass in one. 3 inches square. $15 ppd., T. Anthony. **19** Four travel plug adapters make electric equipment fit foreign sockets. $11.50 ppd., Hoffritz. **20** Pocket pepper mill, 2½ inches high. Brass; leather case. $14.45 ppd., Hammacher Schlemmer. **21** "Tiny Time" transistorized battery pocket alarm clock, 4½ inches wide. $26.50 ppd. Hammacher Schlemmer. **22** Map measure (American *and* metric), with built-in compass, magnifier, pencil. "Pencoma," $13.50 ppd., Hoffritz. **23** Portable calculator speaks English and metric—for length, distance, speed, weight, liquid and dry measure, temperature. "Litronix 2200 Memory-Plus," $29.95, Better Ideas. **24** "Thesi" ballpoint pen by Marco Zanuso. The Museum of Modern Art Bookstore, $26 ppd. **25** Six-in-one "Pocket Mechanic": chrome wrench, Phillips, regular screwdrivers, awl, knife, bottle opener. $14.50 ppd., T. Anthony. **26.** Snail kitchen magnets on a platter. By Hope Hendler. $10, The New York Exchange for Woman's Work.

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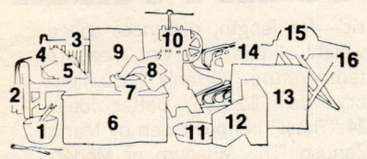
GIVE YOUR TALENT AWAY

Are you handy with a tape recorder? Make a cassette of a small fry's piano recital—and present it as an addition to the family's music library. Offer your skill as a furniture refinisher, a sewer of beautifully tailored curtains, a caner of chair seats, a builder of shelves. Or, give the ultimate self-sacrifice: two weekends of taking care of the kids so their parents can play.

PRESENTS FOR PEOPLE WITH BIG IDEAS



A bowl that's a sculpture, **1,** "Bowl with Four Sticks." Papier-mâché on chicken wire with plaster, glue, powdered pigment—and diamond dust! By Miriam Bloom. $150, Truman Gallery. **2** Wild zebra stripes on a 4-by-5-foot bath sheet of thirsty cotton terry. Here in burgundy, also in blue, orange, and brown with white. $64 ppd., Porthault. **3** Teak garden bench just big enough for two. $250, Kenneth Lynch & Sons. **4** Leafy pillow in spring green. Polyester and cotton with Dacron fiberfill. $13.50 ppd., Nettle Creek Shop. **5** Giant holly leaf pillow, colors airbrushed on silk. $41 ppd., Ed Stiffler. **6** Wells Fargo cargo: an adaptation of a Wild West footlocker, enameled wood with silk-screened letters, and fragrant cedar lining. By Lane. $240 at Hess's. **7** Twelve-quart copper preserving pan that would also make handsome centerpiece. Brass handles. $102.50 ppd., Williams-Sonoma. **8** Satin-stitched bath sheets, 47 by 59 inches, cotton terry. $51.50 each ppd., Pratesi. **9** "Botanical Sunflower" poster, 36 by 23½ inches, $10.85 ppd. Mounted, $35; framed, $65. Catalogue, $3.50. From Poster Originals. **10** Fruit grinder and cider press for homemade juices, wine, apple butter, applesauce. Doubles as cheese press. Four feet tall. $169 plus motor express (100 lbs.). From Garden Way Research. **11** Handmade crackle-glazed pottery bowl. 16½ inches across. $82 ppd., Diane Love. **12** Enameled metal desktop files with lateral folders. 8 by 12 by 12 inches, also in black and white. $24.50 each, Design Research. **13** For make-believe, "Mini-Kitchen" to assemble yourself. Stove, oven, washing machine, lift-out plastic sink, storage space. Hardwood and hardboard, $45.95 ppd., Creative Playthings. **14** Brightly painted oak and chrome nesting chairs, $98.10 each. Five on a rolling cart,

Nourish a hobby

□ Seeing stars: Launch a star-trekker into space with a telescope plus a course at the local planetarium. For enthusiastic beginners, Criterion makes a 6-inch reflector (the RV6) for $244.95, including all mountings and crating costs. For proved star addicts, Celestron/International's 14-inch reflector-refractor gives you Saturn's rings, Jupiter's spot, and a heaven's worth of stars, including all the ones in Orion's nebula, for a mere $3,750 (when choosing any telescope, remember it's not the length but the amount of light admitted that's important). □ Going Baroque: Get a music-lover back to Bach (if you think he can Handel it) with a build-it-yourself harpsichord kit. Models range from spinets to long, double-stringed grands, all unfinished, so your friend can stain, varnish, or paint as he pleases. $445 to $900 at Burton Harpsichords. □ Keeping 'em in stitches: Big stitches for a big-stitch crewel fancier. Hunt up a footstool, paint it, and give it with enough canvas and yarn to create a pretty cushion cover.

BIG BUYS

□ *Going once! Going twice! Sold —for $3: a whole year's worth of the Sotheby Parke Bernet newsletter, a bimonthly announcement of some of the most sensational auction sales around the world* □ *Bestow a bluebird of happiness —and all his friends and relations —by giving a bird feeder that holds 5 pounds of irresistible seeds. $5.95 by Rubbermaid. A 25-pound bag of birdseed, about $5 at garden shops.* □ *Give nature's savings bond: a honey locust shade tree 5 feet tall that in ten years will grow to 50. $18.95 at Rosedale Nurseries.*

TOM YEE

$490.50. By Thonet. The Chair Store. **15** Terry and foam exercise mat, 2 by 6 feet, comes in navy, bright blue, burgundy, rust. $33, Henri Bendel. **16** Folding rattan tray table from Italy. $495, Bonwit Teller. **Right:** Five-horsepower vacuum-blower that shreds leaves and twigs. Optional 11-foot vacuum hose. By Toro, $399.95.

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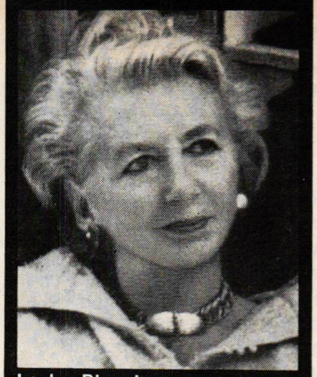
IDEAS THAT GET EVEN BIGGER

The world's fattest lemon (it puts a grapefruit to shame): The Ponderosa, a tree 18 inches tall, $12.50 from Four Winds Growers.

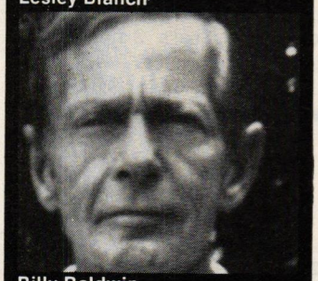
The biggest bulb: Amaryllis to start for a friend in time for Christmas bloom. One bulb, $5.50; 3 for $14.75 from Van Bourgondien.

The nicest herbs: dill, thyme, tarragon, basil, in pots or seeds to start an herb garden.

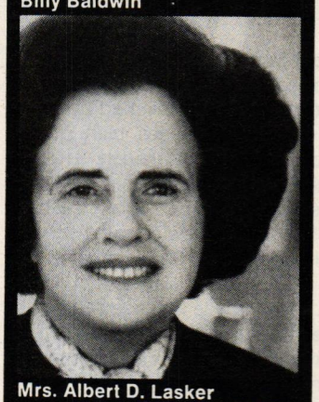
The friendliest smooch: from a puppy that's longing to be loved. You can adopt one, for a family member only, at the ASPCA, which charges only for license and neutering.



Lesley Blanch



Billy Baldwin



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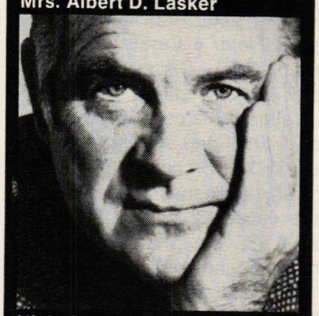
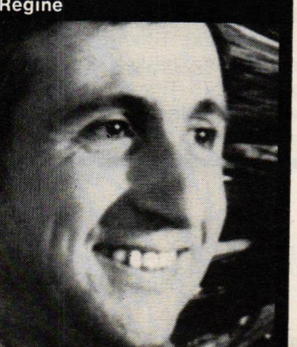


Nicholas Kounovsky

Regine



Michel Guérard

CHRISTMAS GIVING

LESLEY BLANCH, *author and romantic*
I don't want any checks—they always seem to get eaten up by the grocery bill. As much kitchen equipment of the electrical kind as the walls will hold, things that cut and chop and whiz and mash—I'd love that. I'd like a pound of caviar and to be left alone with it. I'd like a telephone call from a loved one. For Christmas, I often give one of my cushions—a needlework portrait of a friend's dog or a scene of some place dear and special. I like to give a subscription to the London Library or a weekend at a really luxe hotel to someone who's been working hard, or a different pot plant, so at the end of the year, the gift has grown into an indoor garden.

BILLY BALDWIN, *designer and raconteur*
Above everything in the world to get for Christmas—books! Art books in particular. I can never have too many books. I really like to give presents I'd like myself.

MRS. ALBERT D. LASKER, *city beautifier*
I like to give green growing things—trees, rosebushes, or bulbs—they're living, long-lasting, and a joy to look at. The presents I enjoy most are fresh flowers like lily of the valley, or contributions to my favorite causes.

NICHOLAS KOUNOVSKY, *physical fitness authority and author*
The best Christmas present we ever received was our first child, a daughter, born on Christmas day, and we named her Vera, the Russian word for faith. As for giving a present, I always try to give something practical and attractive. I believe in beauty. All around us there is beauty, and whenever I see something beautiful, I think of it as a gift.

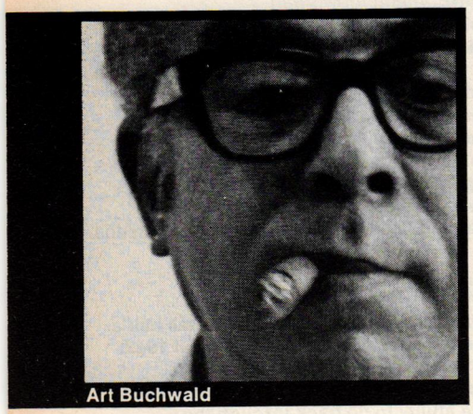
REGINE, *nightclubwoman*
My birthday is December 25th, and what I'd like this year is two other Regines, who would be at two ends of the world when I need them. The best present I ever received was a crystal flower from my husband on the first Christmas we spent together. I like to give presents that please me first—as all selfish people do. The best present to give is something useful that the person really needs.

MICHEL GUÉRARD, *revolutionary cook*
The best present I ever was given was half a dozen bananas I had for Christmas in 1942. They were the first I'd tasted in three years. A present I would love to get would be the ability to go back through the centuries to the time when Catherine de Medici arrived at court with her cooks, and live with them the first moments of the new French cooking. What I like to give others is things from the feast, the joy of all the marvelous things of the past, which are for me the reflection of the image of the patience, spirit, and talent of man. I would like to give each friend the present he has dreamed about all his life.

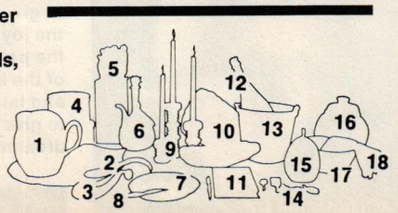
HENRY CLARKE
HORST
BEADLE
SUSAN WOOD

CHRISTMAS GIVING
PRESENTS TO EAT UP—AND HAVE, TOO

Presents to eat and otherwise consume, *top right.* **1** Wheels of cheese; Red Leicester from 6 to 10 pounds, $19.74 to $32.90; Roquefort, 5 pounds, $29.75. Cheese Please. **2** Buckwheat flour, 2 pounds, $2.10; buttermilk pancake mix, 24 ounces, $1.80; country graham quick bread mix, 24 ounces, $1.80. From Vermont General Store & Grist Mill. Macy's. **3** Jasmine China tea from Fortnum & Mason. ½ pound, $5.20. Altman's. **4** Shallot vinegar, 12¾ ounces, $3.50, red wine vinegar in stoneware bottle, 38.4 ounces, $18.50; Herbes de Provence, 11 ounces, $16. Fauchon Shop at Saks Fifth Avenue. **5** Antique seed packets filled with field flower potpourri. $4.50 each. Cherchez! **6** For fireplaces; 2 40-pound bags of hardwood, $13.50 delivered by Clark & Wilkins in New York City. **7** Tangerine and raspberry—two French jams from Williams-Sonoma. Any pair is $7.25 ppd. **8** Walnuts to give in your own jar. 1 pound, about 89c at supermarkets. **9** Fresh lemon cake, 26-ounces, $9 airmail. Miss Grace Lemon Cake Company. **10** Glass fish filled with Antinori Bianco della Costa Toscana white wine. Julius Wile. 6.3 ounces, 99c; 23.5 ounces, $3.89. **11** Feast for birds—20 pounds of peanut hearts in plastic bucket. $18.50 ppd. Sundials & More. **12** Caviar mints, 1 pound, $8.50; Cocoa Almondine, cocoa-covered almonds, 20-ounces, $9.50. Push Pin Productions. At Bloomingdale's. **13** Devon Clover Honey, ½ pound, gift boxed, $6 ppd. Crabtree & Evelyn. **14** "21" Sauce Maison, 6 ounces, $3.25 from Iron Gate Products. **15** Aechmea bromeliad, $20.95 and up, ppd. at Alberts & Merkel. **16** Red Gloriosa lily bulbs, $9.25 a dozen from Van Bourgondien. **17** Room-scenting Environmental Perfumes: ¼ ounce, $5; 1 ounce, $15. French antique patchwork bags filled with herbs moths hate, $7 each. Cherchez!. **18** Four walls of paint in a House & Garden Color. Latex about $12.50 a gallon. Or a floor. Dura Seal's 3-step floor process: Renovator stripper $10.95 a gallon; Stain, $10.95 a gallon; Dura Finish, $4.15 a quart. Janovic/Plaza. Presents for keeps, *right below.* **1** Handpainted porcelain pitcher, 8 inches high. "Tobacco Leaf" by Mottahedah. $150, Cartier. **2** Handmade linen placemats and napkins; 4 of each, $225. Leron. **3** Pewter salad servers handmade by Shirley Charron. $63 ppd. Kruger, Van Eerde Gallery. **4** Handmade Chinese bamboo boxes $9.50, $12.50, Apelgarden. **5** Knife block with 5 Friodur no-stain high-carbon steel knives and sharpening steel. Henckels. $125, Marshall Field. **6** Carafe with ice pocket. $8.50, Discovery Workshop. **7** Limited edition eagle-pattern Lalique plate. $60. Bonwit Teller. **8** Shell and sterling cheese knife. $50, Horchow Collection. **9** Finnish candlesticks, turned over they're vases: 3 inches, $4; 5¾ inches, $8; 8¼ inches, $9.50. Seabon Scandinavian Imports. **10** "Rock," a stone and acrylic sculpture by Elfi Schuselka. $450. Truman Gallery. **11** Silver address book, $12.50. Chrome felt-tip pens, $1.50. By Fante. Marshall Field. **12** Champagne celebrating 200 years of French-American friendship. Moet & Chandon's Bicentennial Cuvée, magnum, $21.99. **13** Orrefors crystal champagne bucket or punch bowl. $65, at Bullock's. **14** Antique sterling tea-caddy spoons. $100-$185, James Robinson. **15** Antique fruitwood pear tea caddy $750. One of a collection. James Robinson. **16** Japanese handpainted porcelain flask. $500, Tiffany. **17** Handwoven sterling basket, 8 inches across. $1,275 Tiffany. **18** Cotton damask napkins, 24 inches square, $4 each. Elisa Daggs.


Art Buchwald

ART BUCHWALD, *innocent bystander*
The best Christmas present I ever got was last year—my high school diploma. My daughter Jenny heard me give a speech in which I mentioned that I'd never gotten one. She told her mother, and her mother called my sister in Forest Hills, where I came from. And my sister called the principal of the school and said it was about time I got the diploma, so the princpal decided I was O.K. and he gave it to me. This year I'd like my college diploma from U.S.C.



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Entertaining
what goes with what

GIFTS FOR THE TABLE

Fifteen plates, glasses, forks, knives, and napkins—each with a different personality that just might suggest the perfect present for friend or family or inspire you to a whole new outlook on the way you entertain. Which make the best partnerships? Here and on the following pages, some of the match-ups we like. But you'll have ideas of your own.

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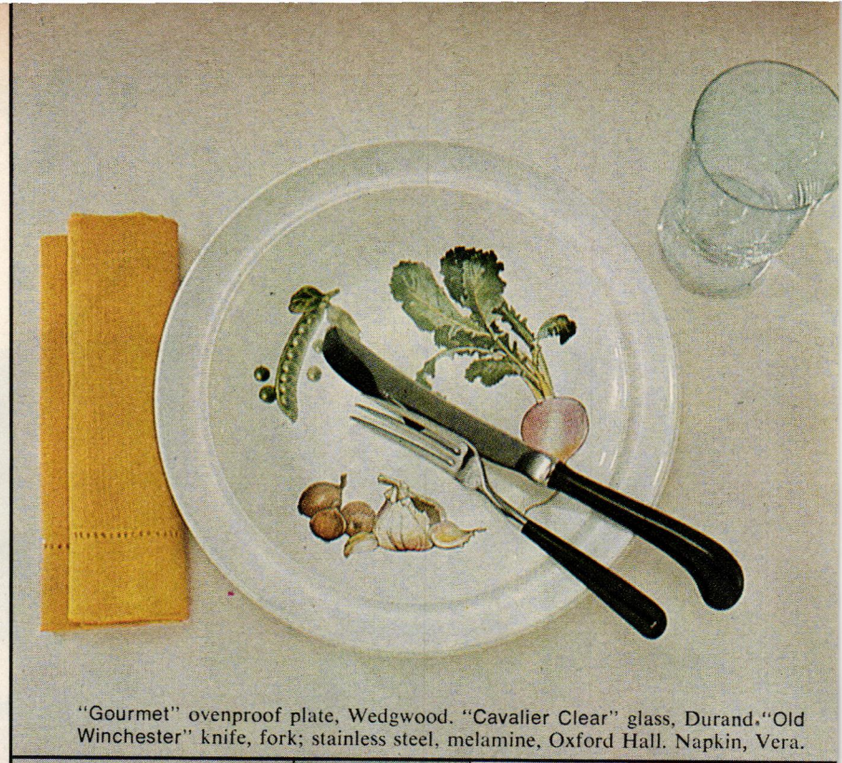
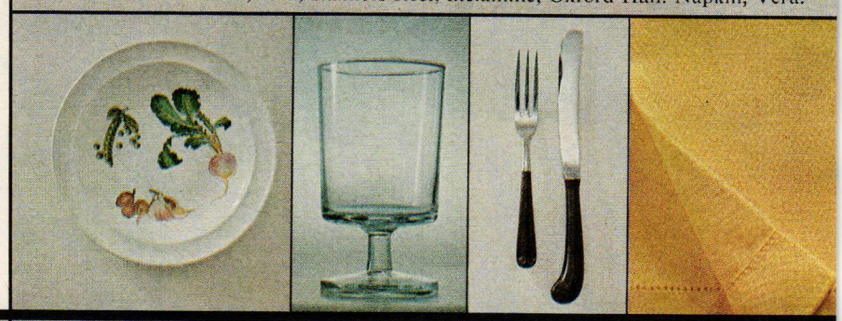
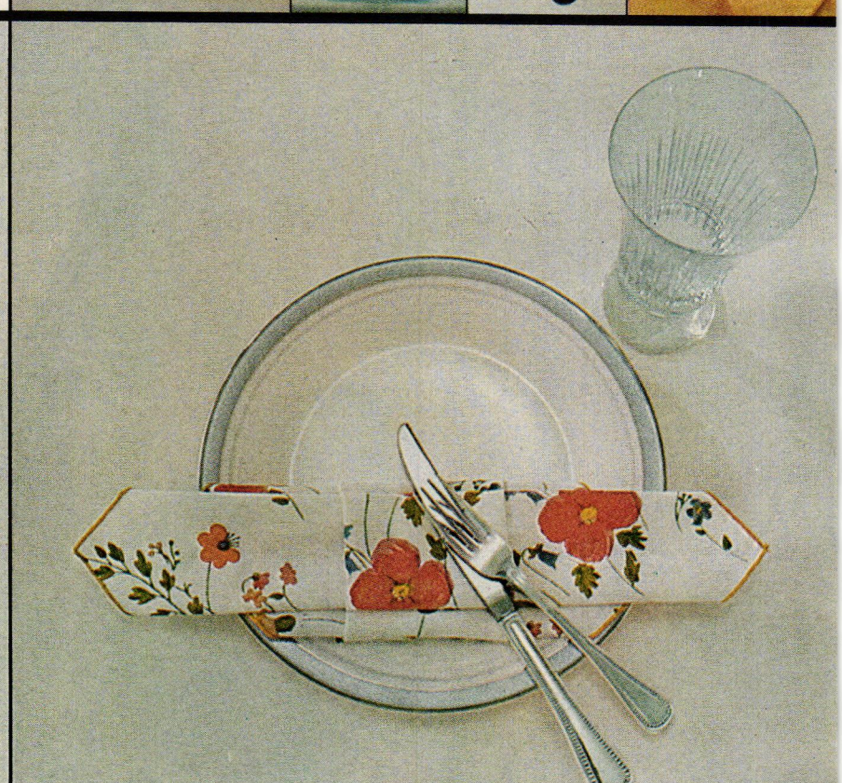


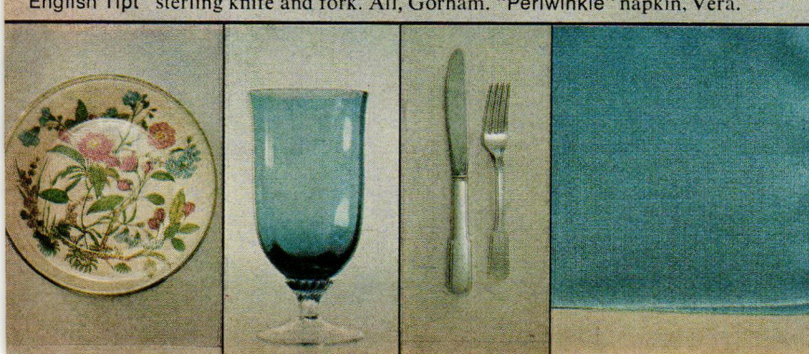
"Gourmet" ovenproof plate, Wedgwood. "Cavalier Clear" glass, Durand. "Old Winchester" knife, fork; stainless steel, melamine, Oxford Hall. Napkin, Vera.

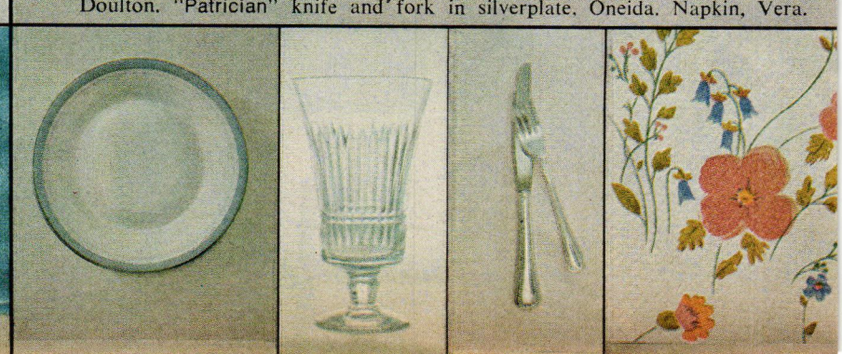


"Fairmeadows" china plate. "Octette Blue" handblown crystal glass. "Old English Tipt" sterling knife and fork. All, Gorham. "Periwinkle" napkin, Vera.

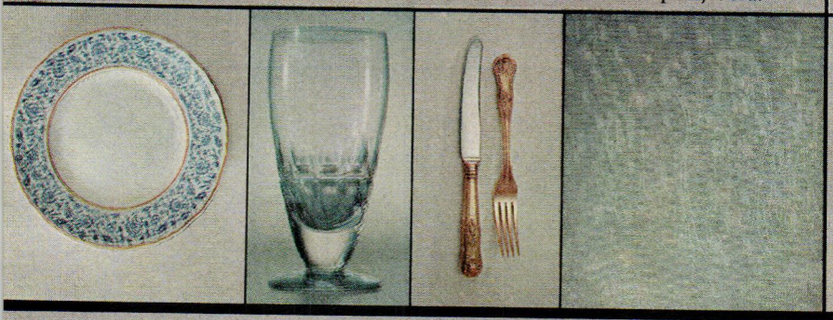


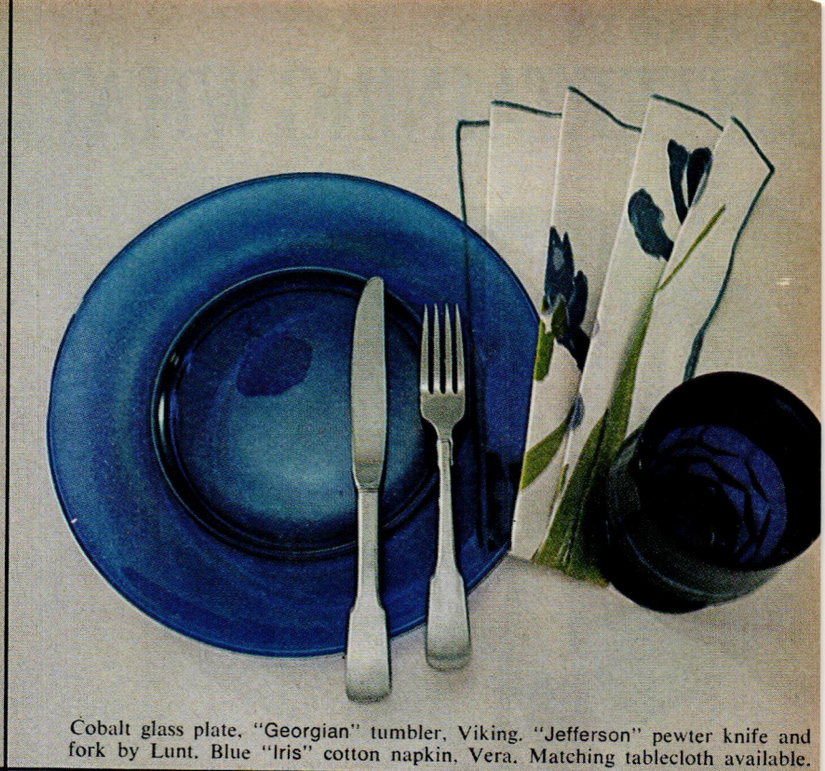
"Lilactime" bone china plate. "Vanborough" crystal glass. Both by Royal Doulton. "Patrician" knife and fork in silverplate, Oneida. Napkin, Vera.



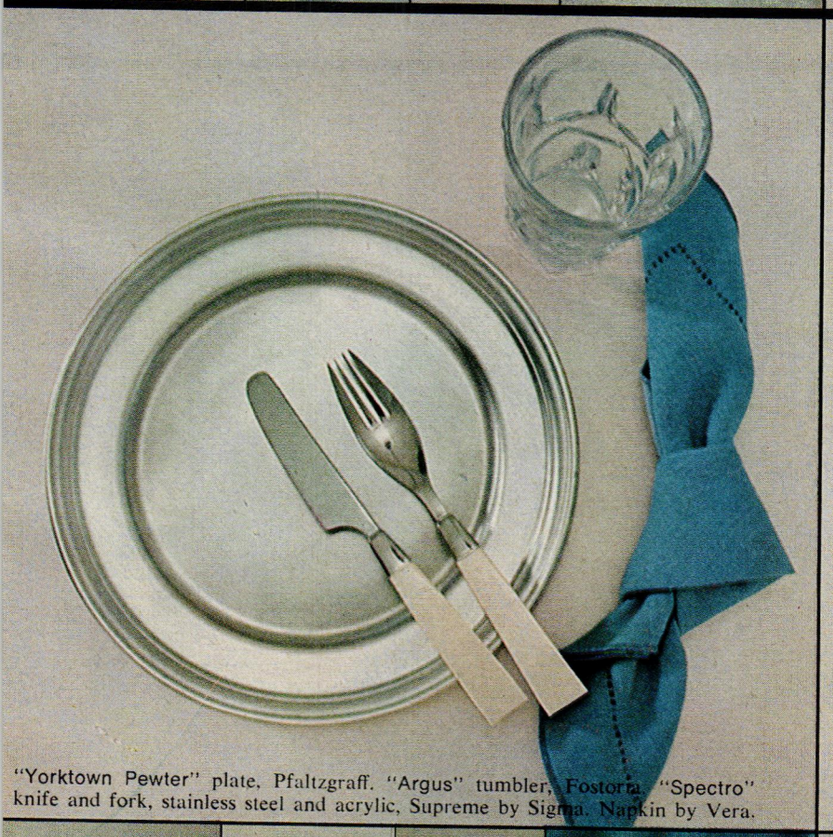


"Montserrat" bone china plate. "Clifton Park" crystal iced-tea glass. "King's" vermeil knife and fork. All by Royal Worcester. White "Willow" napkin, Vera.

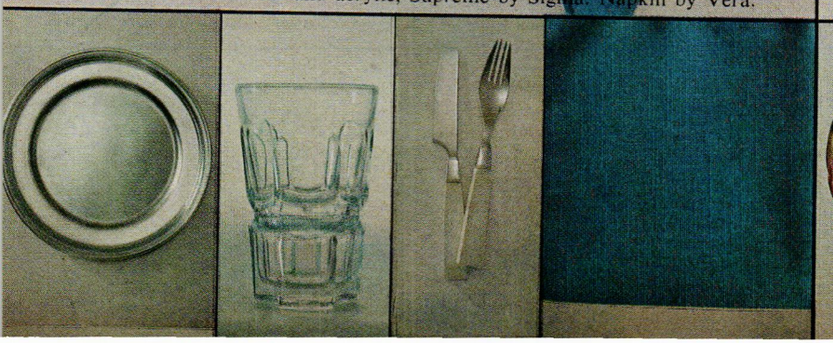


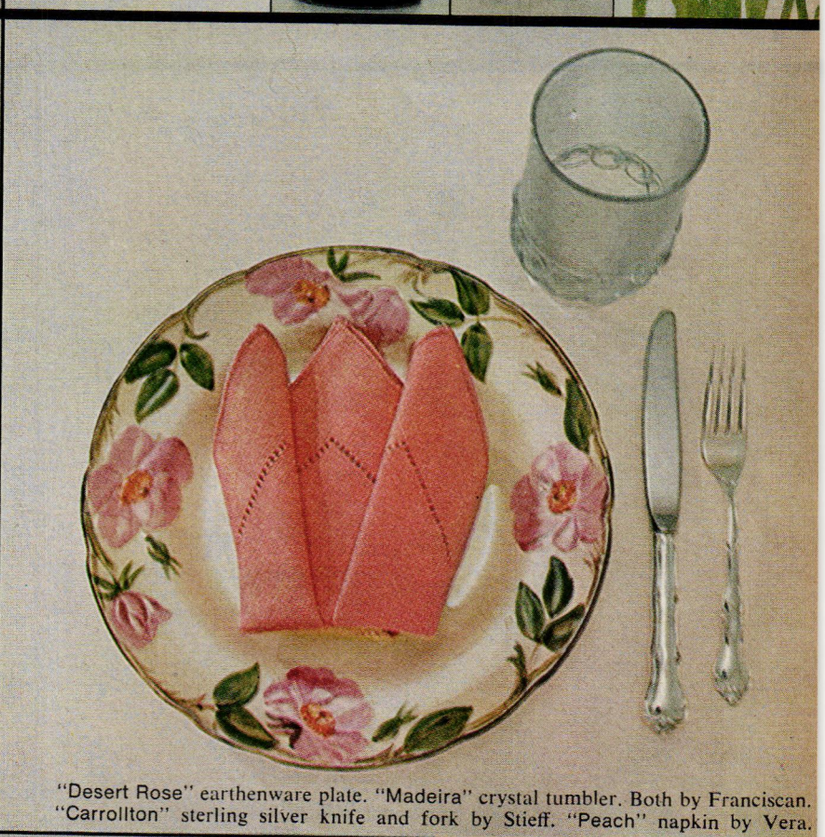


Cobalt glass plate, "Georgian" tumbler, Viking. "Jefferson" pewter knife and fork by Lunt. Blue "Iris" cotton napkin, Vera. Matching tablecloth available.

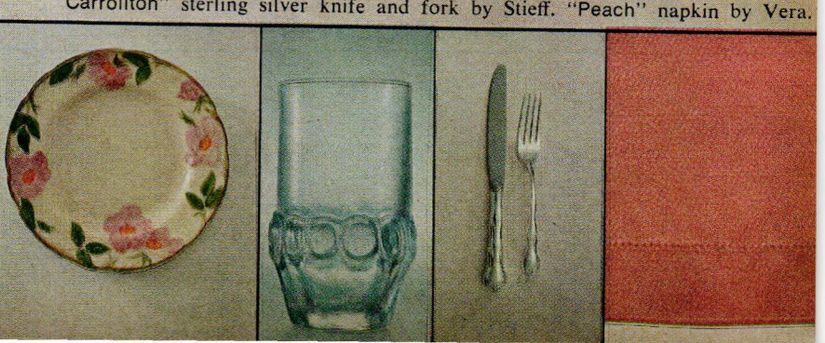


"Yorktown Pewter" plate, Pfaltzgraff. "Argus" tumbler, Fostoria. "Spectro" knife and fork, stainless steel and acrylic, Supreme by Sigma. Napkin by Vera.





"Desert Rose" earthenware plate. "Madeira" crystal tumbler. Both by Franciscan. "Carrollton" sterling silver knife and fork by Stieff. "Peach" napkin by Vera.

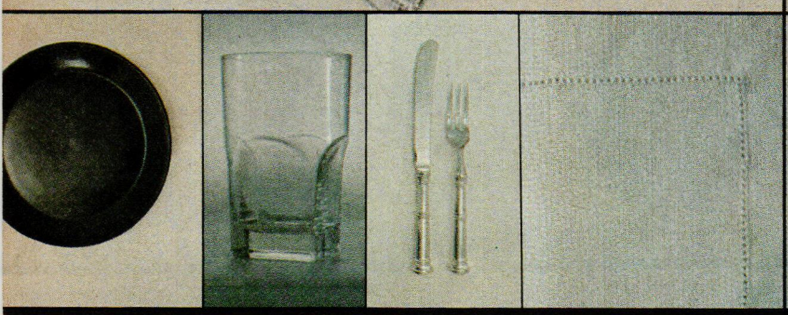


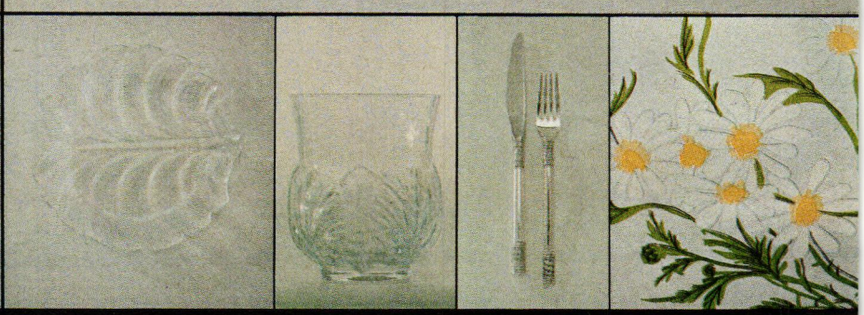
GIFTS FOR THE TABLE

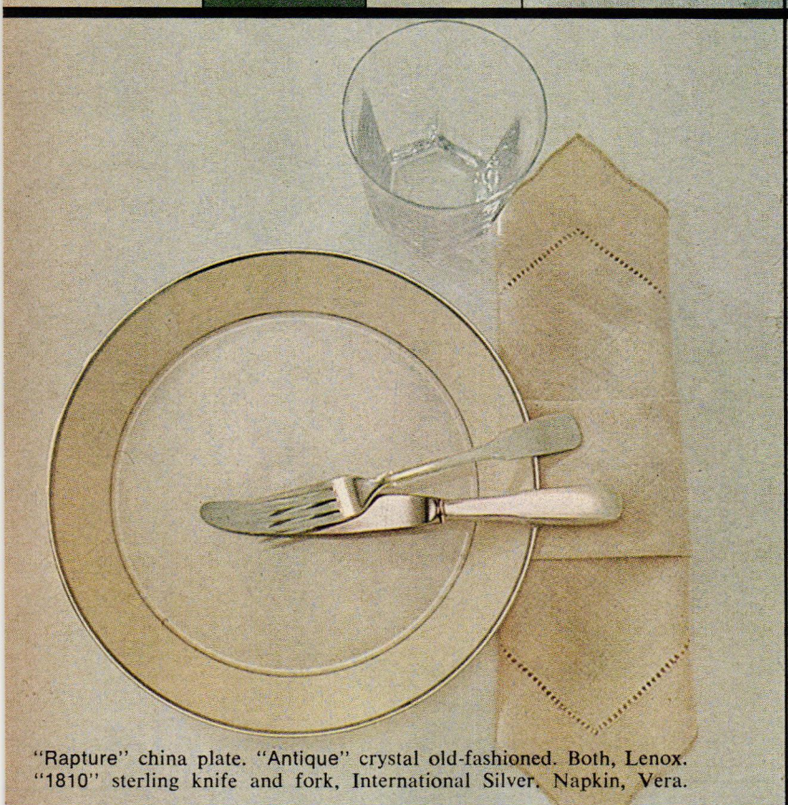
ENTERTAINING WHAT GOES WITH WHAT

"Kilta" earthenware plate. "Contact" tumbler. Both, Arabia. "Old Annapolis" pewter knife and fork by Samuel Kirk. "Grey" napkin by Vera.

"Eden" glass plate and tumbler by Orrefors. "Aegean Weave" sterling silver knife and fork by Wallace. "Daisy Spray" permanent-press napkin, Vera.

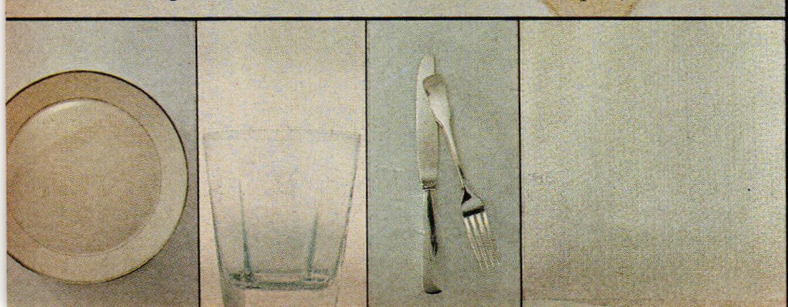


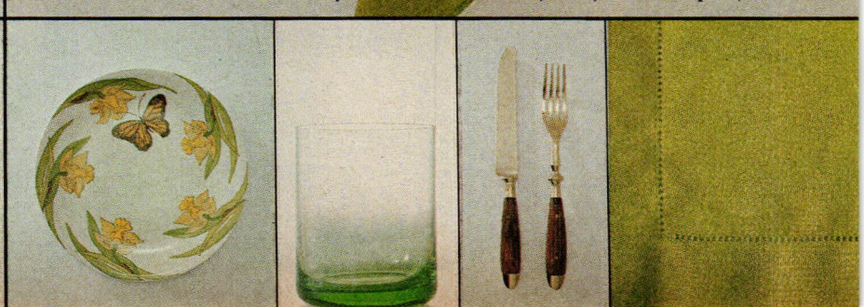




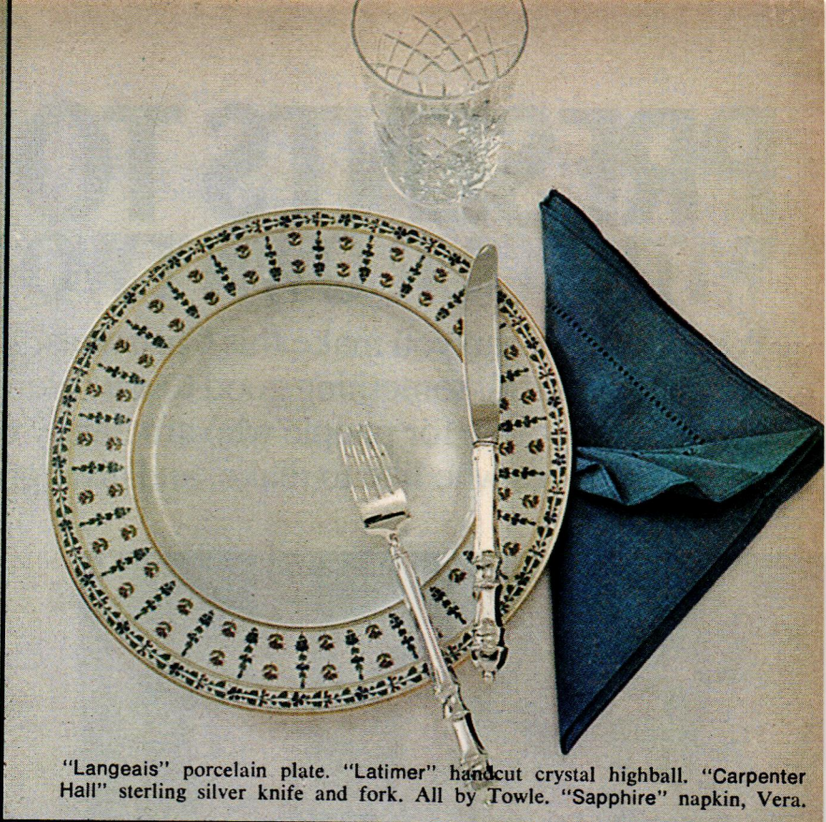
"Rapture" china plate. "Antique" crystal old-fashioned. Both, Lenox. "1810" sterling knife and fork, International Silver. Napkin, Vera.

"Daffodil" porcelain plate, Villeroy & Boch. "Rusticana" glass by I.V.V. "Lord Nelson" nickel alloy and rosewood knife, fork, Fürst. Napkin, Vera.

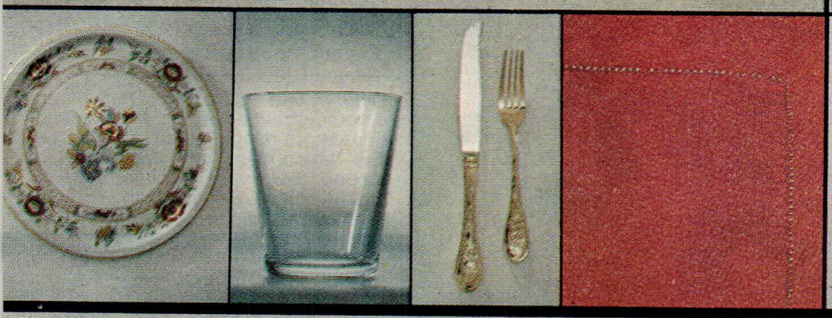


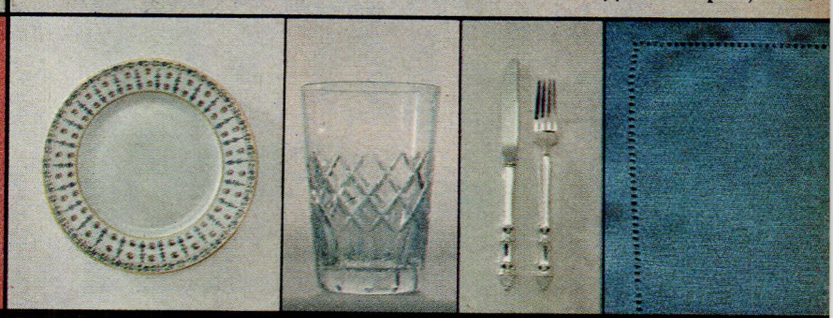


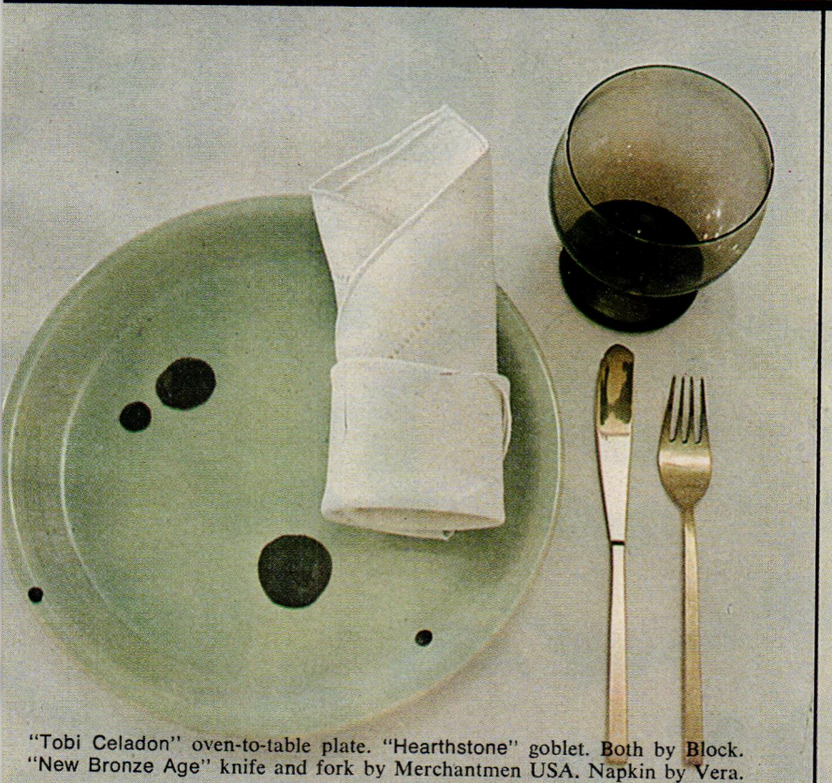
"Cathay" porcelain cake plate, Haviland. 16-ounce crystal highball, Steuben. "Wild Flower" gold-plated stainless steel, Supreme by Sigma. Napkin, Vera.



"Langeais" porcelain plate. "Latimer" handcut crystal highball. "Carpenter Hall" sterling silver knife and fork. All by Towle. "Sapphire" napkin, Vera.







"Tobi Celadon" oven-to-table plate. "Hearthstone" goblet. Both by Block. "New Bronze Age" knife and fork by Merchantmen USA. Napkin by Vera.

"Famille Rose" bone china plate, Aynsley. "Rosslare" crystal tumbler, Waterford. "Old Virginia" sterling knife and fork, Reed & Barton. Napkin, Vera.

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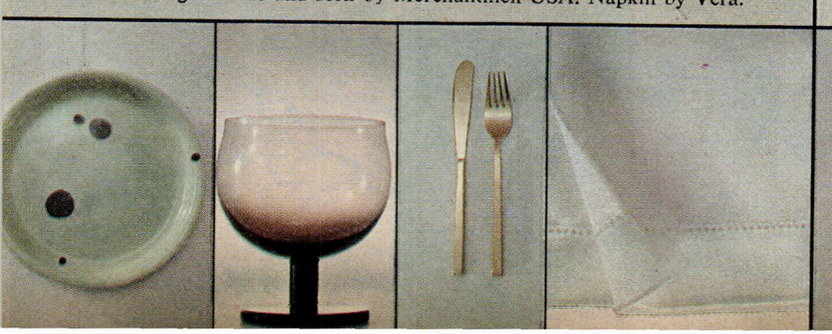
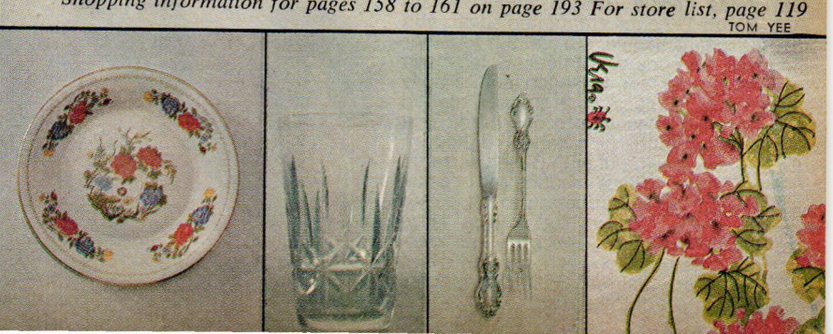




PRESENTS TO MAKE WITH YOUR OWN TWO HANDS

What presents can you make this Christmas? Something pretty, something useful, something good to eat? Here are three ideas—one for cooks, one for people who are handy with a needle and thread, one for families who like to make, and give, presents together.

A COOKIE A DAY TILL CHRISTMAS

An edible calendar of sugar cookies topped with chocolate numerals—you can give someone a boxful: one for each day of Advent leading to Christmas. The ones here were made by children at Angolo della Gastronomia, a cooking shop in Milan. The children wear bright red and white aprons, *above*, and learn to cut and bake their cookies in a converted wine cellar, *below right*, with its ancient arched brick ceiling still intact. Grownups come here too. But the most popular course is the one for children—"the younger, the better," says owner Ada Parasiliti, "as long as the passion is there."

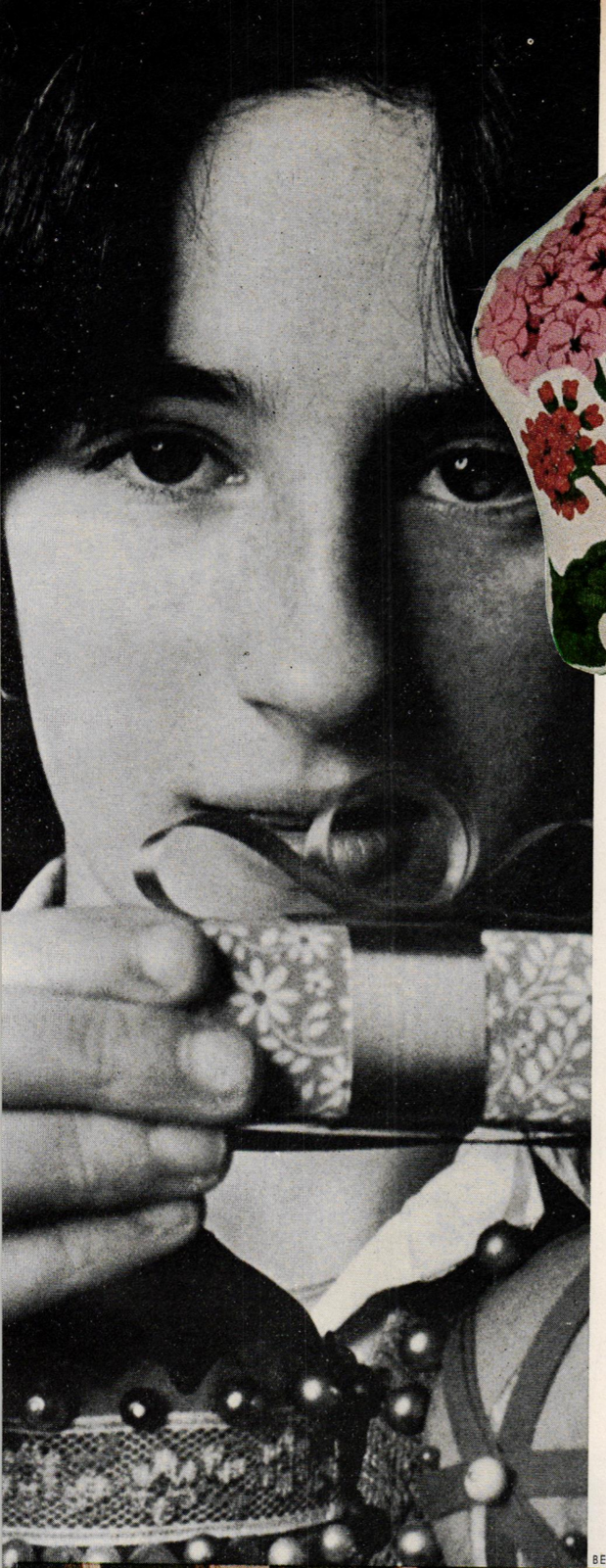
Christmas Cookie Recipe: Cream 1 cup butter with 1½ cups granulated sugar, add 2½ teaspoons vanilla, 2 eggs. Sift together and add 2⅔ cups sifted flour, ½ teaspoon baking powder, ¾ teaspoon salt. Divide dough into thirds. Add 2 squares melted unsweetened chocolate to one third. Chill white dough until firm (about 3 hours). Roll ¼-inch thick; cut with 3-inch serrated cookie cutter. Place rounds on cookie sheet. Put room-temperature chocolate dough into a pastry bag with a large rosette tip and pipe chocolate numbers onto cookies, one for each day of Advent (27 this year). Bake at 350° 10 minutes until edges are lightly brown.

LEOMBRUNO-BODI-LAMI

FAMILY-MADE PRESENTS FOR FRIENDS, FOR THE TREE

For some, warm and casual family get-togethers with good company and good food are year-round happenings. At Mr. and Mrs. Robert Natkin's, Christmastime is no different. "During the holiday season everyone is in the kitchen making things," Mrs. Natkin says. Daughter Leda, 14, bakes cookies and bread. Mr. and Mrs. Natkin (both artists) and Josh, 16, do paintings or drawings for friends. But most of all the family likes to make tree ornaments. Each person starts with a foam ball and pins on pieces of colored material—grosgrain and velvet ribbon, binding tape, rickrack, trimmings, and fabric scraps—until the ball is covered. Then they take an assortment of buttons, beads, and elaborately jeweled hatpins and decorate the balls.

Leda Natkin, *right*, gives four of the ornaments she made a final inspection before hanging them on the tree. The Natkin clan, *below right*, gathers around the maple kitchen table to put finishing touches on their homemade Christmas presents.



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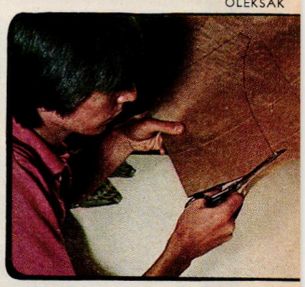
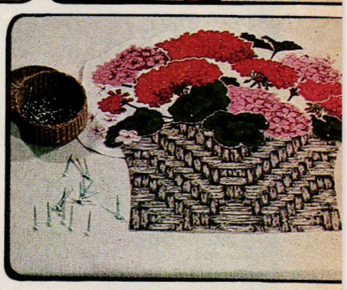


Give a friend a basket of flowers for his sofa? Why not—if it's a pillow. The idea for these appliquéd pillows was inspired by a few scraps of flowered fabric. Designer Mark Robinson scouted New York for suitable fabrics and brought back an armload. "They were just what I needed: good, clean prints of realistic-looking flowers and a variety of basket-weave patterns. And the prices were right." He cut out the shapes of flowers, leaves, and baskets and put them together, experimenting with proportions, backings, and fillings. In time Mark Robinson was selling pillows by the basketful.



Every flower pillow begins with a carefully arranged bouquet. "The shape of the flower arrangement dictates the shape of the pillow," Mr. Robinson says. "The pillow must look natural, so it's very important that the basket be cut in proportion to the flower section. And the fabrics must be realistic-looking too." Mr. Robinson gets most of his fabrics from Brunschwig & Fils, Hannett Morrow Fischer, Stroheim & Romann, and S & M Hexter (available through decorators). Here a pillow in progress: *above left,* flower cutouts placed on white cotton backing; *above right,* Mr. Robinson cuts brown paper basket pattern; *middle right,* front section ready for sewing; *lower right,* completed pillow being stuffed. Instructions for making your own pillow on page 118. Or, if you'd rather buy one, see page 193.

POSTER PRESENTS

Posters, photographs—some say they're fine art, others the next best thing. Either way, they're terrific presents and available at prices you can afford

They come in sizes from big to billboard, in subjects from circus acts to travel sites. And you can get one for as little as three dollars. Posters and photographs can be Art Deco, Art Nouveau, Op, Broadway, or fabulous reproductions of the masters' greatest works—choose whichever you think will please your friend's fancy. Or, if you know someone creative, give him a poster he can color and mount himself (to learn how to mount a poster, see page 122). *On this page:* have an apple by Cezanne (46 by 61½ inches; $250); delete your typos with a Claes Oldenburg eraser (24½ by 32½ inches; $25); or skip the tram and walk the cable to Roosevelt Island like Folon's man (22 by 30 inches; $40). To find out where to buy posters and photographs, please turn to Shopping Information.

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Color-it-yourself pre-Columbian ladies.

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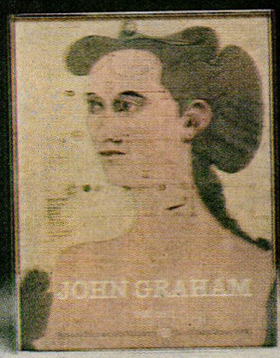
Hans Hofmann 1973 show.



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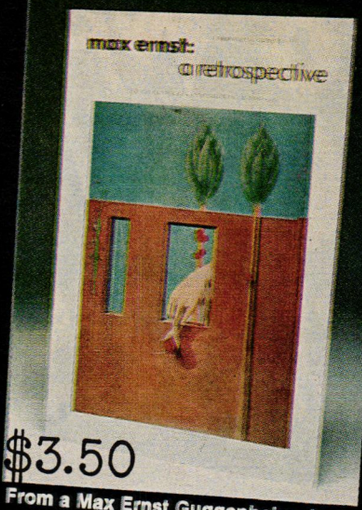

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From a Max Ernst Guggenheim show.

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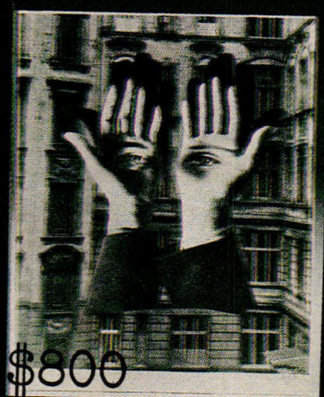
They're good enough to eat. Photo by Murray Alcosser.



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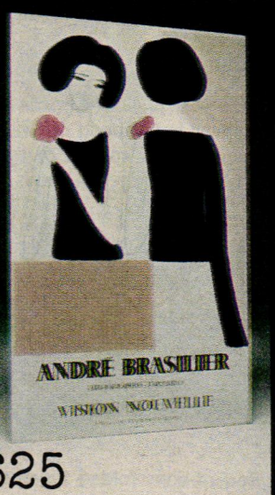

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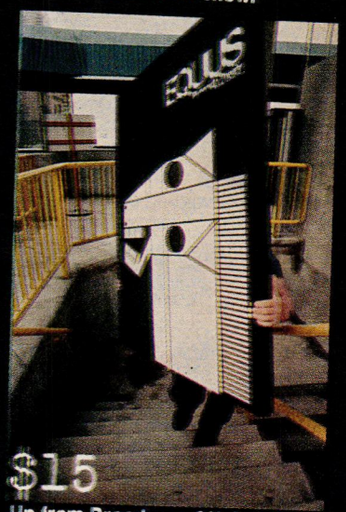

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Up from Broadway; 3½ by 5 feet.

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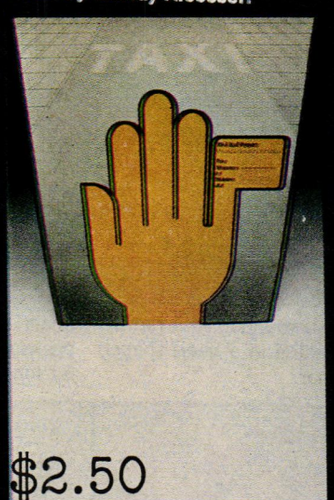
Art exhibit—1870-1970—in Milan.



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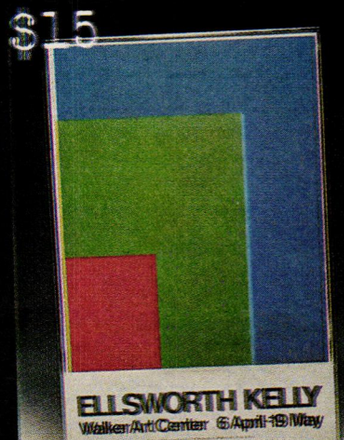

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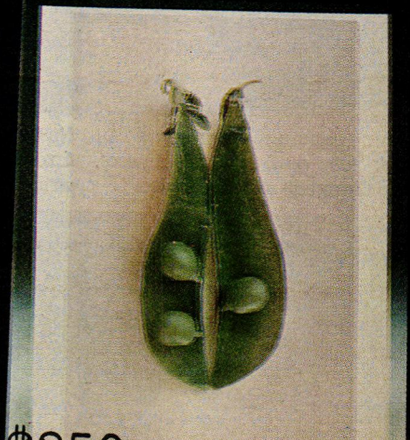

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Three peas in a pod. Murray Alcosser photo.

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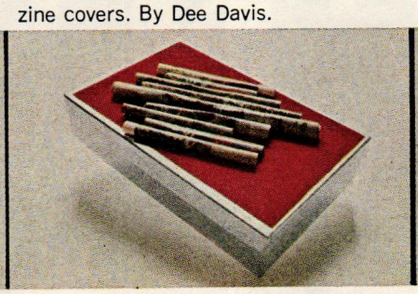
An explosion of foil and cellophane roasting wrap scattered with silk blossoms. Designed by Diane Love.

A silver box topped off with red Contact velour and a collage of rolled-up magazine covers. By Dee Davis.

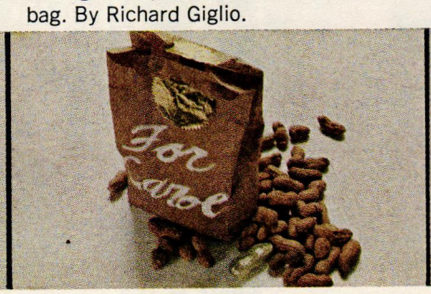
Surprise! A silver Tiffany peanut hidden among real peanuts in a brown paper bag. By Richard Giglio.

White on white—lace sachet, lacy ribbon tied on shiny paper. Designed by Barbara Ohrbach of Cherchez.

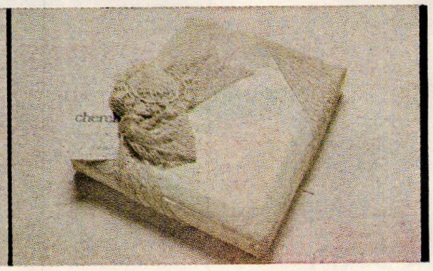
Box, top, and ribbon all done with color variations of Fabrication's "Diagonal Stripe." By Dena Carlson.



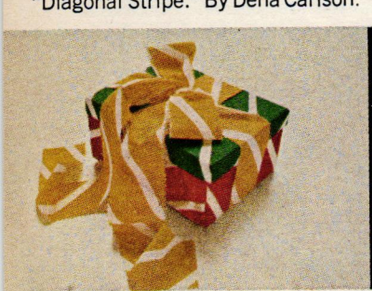
Red ribbons folded together at right angles and tied up to tassels on gold foil. Designed by Beau Maas.



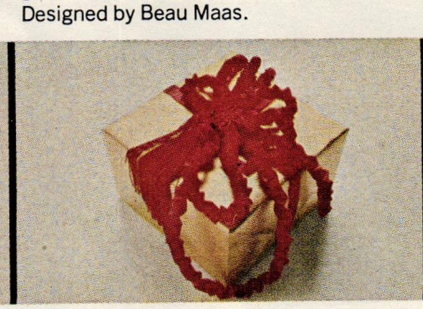
All wrapped up and ready to go—a straw suitcase tied with velvet ribbons. Designed by Robert Webb.



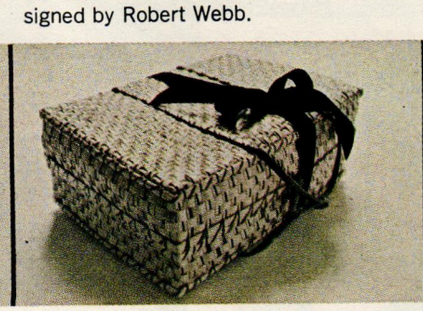
Black lacquer box from Japan lavishly tied with scarlet ribbons by Bob Currie of Henri Bendel.



Velvet package crowned by Christmas-red apples tied in the Japanese manner. By Ronaldo Maia.

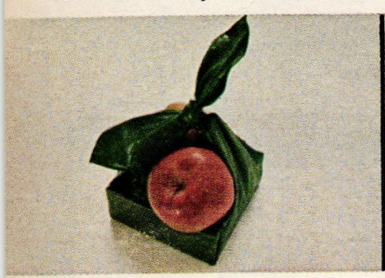


Hand-painted paper fans like wings on a simple white box tied with black and white ribbons. By David Solomon.

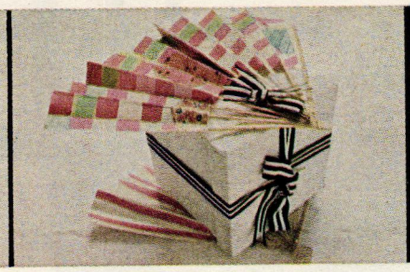


A heart of Brie—surrounded with red tissue paper and nested in a heart-shaped basket. By Eli Zabar.

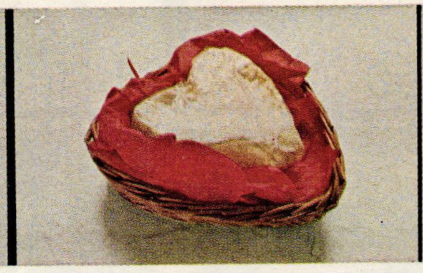
Sheik stripes for a Far Eastern fabric package exotically tied with gold cording. By John Maurer.



Outer-space-age wrapping of silver foil, pins, and steel wool. John Campbell of John Lewis.

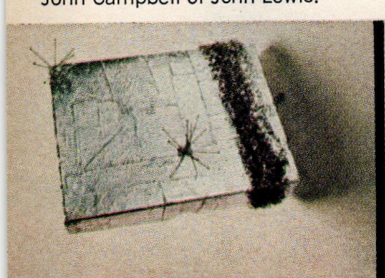


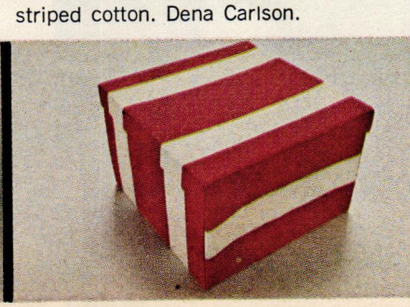
No need for ribbons when you cover the box with Fabrication's red and white striped cotton. Dena Carlson.

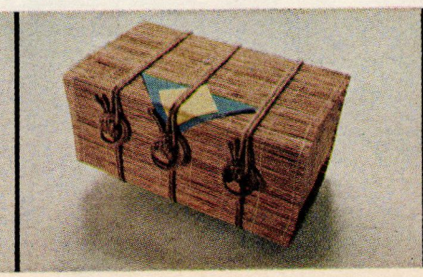


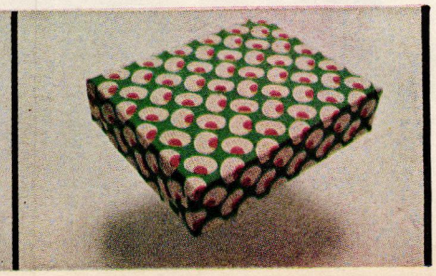
Match-stick window blind reincarnated as wrapping, looped and knotted with cord. By Carolyn Staniford.

A fabric design hand-painted on paper in Christmas colors. Designed by Harry Schule and Ned Marshall.









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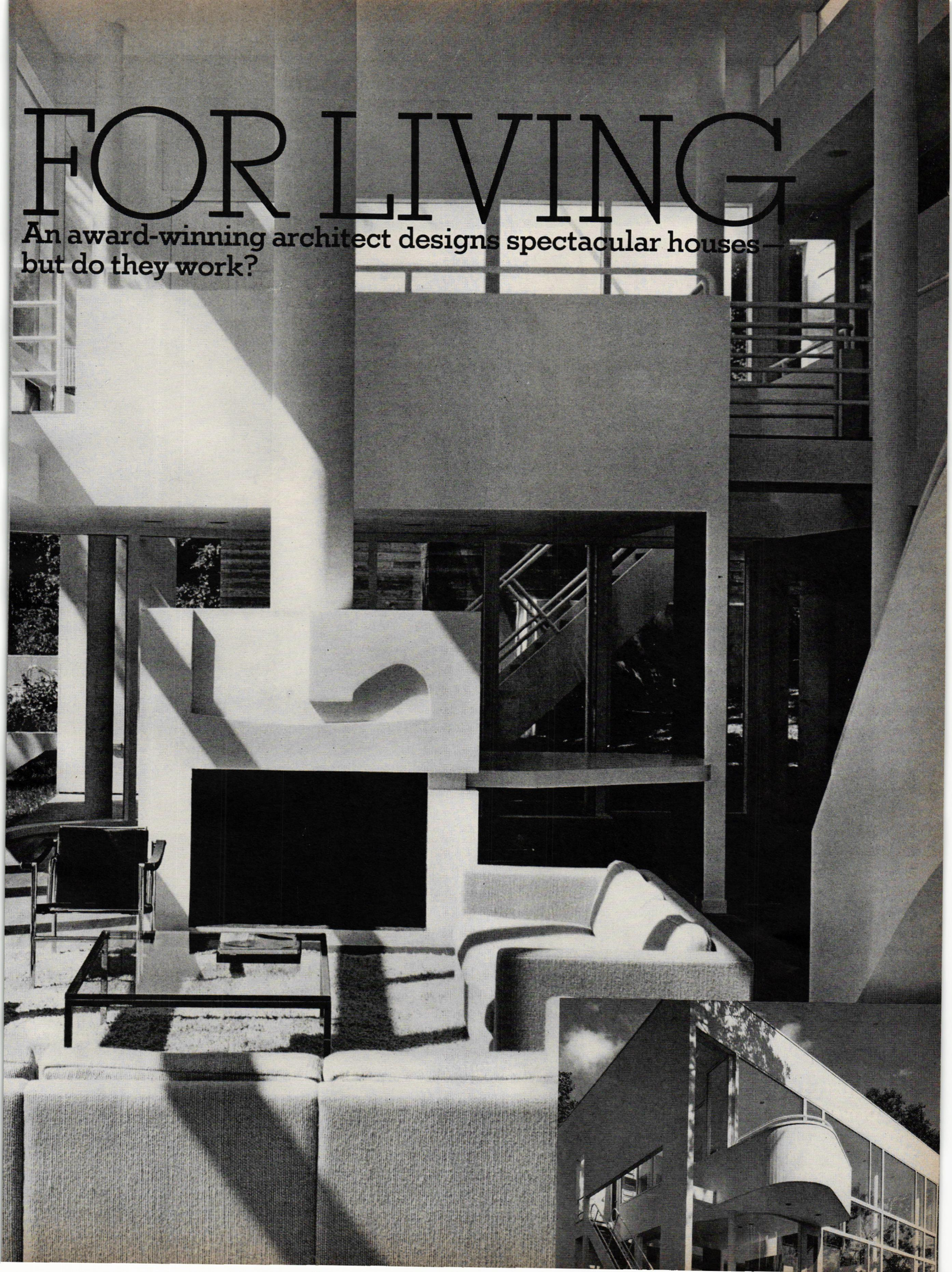
An award-winning architect designs spectacular houses—but do they work?



Sculpture in the woods above Lake Michigan

Richard Meier's composition of all-white building elements rises authoritatively from its rugged site facing the lake. The house interior, *right*, has drama of its own, with large glass areas facing the lake and with vertical penetrations of space from level to level. Curving rails celebrate the circulation.

EZRA STOLLER

On one ingenious potting table you can start a whole garden's worth of seeds indoors

Furniture for farming

In a pair of wooden trays barely more than 4 feet across, you can plant enough vegetable seeds to fill 2,000 square feet of garden. The starting trays, which are electrically warmed and lighted, are part of an innovative self-sufficient indoor potting table. You can make and paint a table yourself, and garden all year-round.

When will someone come up with a great idea for the indoor gardener who cares about how things look as well as how plants grow? Designer-gardener-photographer Bill Bell has done just that. The handsome roll-around table with planting trays, *above left*, was inspired by his own need for an efficient, clean way to start seeds indoors, and a place to store garden supplies. "Anything I might need is right at hand." The storage table,

After soil is turned and fertilized, plastic mulch is razor-cut to hold seedlings.

Plants started in two portable 26-inch trays expand to fill a 42-by-50-foot garden.

BILL BELL

53 by 32 inches, holds two 26-inch trays 5 inches deep, in which he propagates house plants and, in early spring, starts crops for the vegetable patch—corn, cucumbers, three kinds of tomatoes, cantaloupe, watermelon, marigolds, zinnias, and more. "Anyone can make a box," he says, and he made his of exterior Duraply from U.S. Plywood because "it's easy to put together and takes color well." He sprayed and silk-screened the boxes with polyurethane paint ("you could also stencil or draw a design"), and sealed them with clear polyurethane. Heavy-duty foil lines the trays, and plug-in heating coils (sold by seed companies) are anchored to the bottoms with wide staples. The coils maintain 70-degree bottom heat, ideal for sprouting seeds, and are covered with a half-inch of heat-retaining, white marble chips. Lights are clamp-on desk lamps, "bought as seconds at a surplus store." Each lamp has two 18-inch Gro-Lux fluorescents, which can be raised as plants grow—always at 6 inches above the growing tips—and are kept on 18 hours a day. To start seeds, Mr. Bell packs each tray with moist 1¼-inch Fertl-Cubes and plants with an industrial tweezer, one seed per cube. "Using lights and bottom heat I get 99 percent germination." He covers the trays with Mylar to hold humidity, lifting the plastic to mist several times a day during the first week. When the seedlings are well-rooted he removes the cover. Later he slips each cube into a 2¼-inch Jiffy Pot (made of peat) containing some soil. When danger of frost is past he carries the trays out to the garden.

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Rose's Lime Juice. For great gimlets.

The message of a party is in the emotions of the people. The ultimate test of all the hostess's hard work is, how is it affecting the people

Think informal

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Northwestern University, author of *The Hidden Dimension* and most recently, *Beyond Culture* (Anchor/Doubleday). Dr. Hall, in collaboration with his wife Mildred, worked with House & Garden (April, 1969) to produce a whole issue devoted to space. "Each person has around him an invisible bubble of space," they explain, "which expands and contracts depending on his relationship to others, his emotional state, his cultural background, and the activity he is performing at the time. This sacred bubble is a bit of mobile territory which only a few other organisms are allowed to penetrate and then only for short periods of time."

In a large party, a buffet, or any casual, unstructured gathering, your bubble of space is constantly under stress, in a way that would not happen at a formal dinner, where you know precisely where you are sitting, who is on your right and left, and how long they are going to stay there. A good contemporary hostess, therefore, will see to it that chairs and tables are arranged at a buffet party in such a way that guests can talk and move around in comfort. A Long Island hostess told me that she always used to have her furniture arranged in a certain way, but found that after every party, the furniture had been rearranged by her guests to their liking. Laboriously she would put everything back again afterwards, until one day she realized how absurd that was, and simply left the furniture the way it was!

"A really good hostess can arrange difficult people properly," says Mrs. Kirk Douglas, whose buffet parties in Beverly Hills are world famous. (Quite literally; she once gave a buffet for Maya Plisetskaya of the Bolshoi Ballet. "I planned a typical, very California buffet with hamburgers, chicken, knockwurst, corn on the cob, and so on," recalls Mrs. Douglas. "The ballerina stood in line, but through her interpreter said to me, 'If I go back to Russia and tell them I went to a movie star's home and had to stand in line for a sausage, they won't believe me!' ") Maneuvering people well takes time and thought, Mrs. Douglas believes. "I think out-of-towners and shy people find it alarming when they don't know where to sit. It's awfully difficult for them when people turn down chairs and save them for their pals. I think the hostess should be given a lot of credit for seating a party well."

Eileen Simpson agrees that shy people may find casual parties a strain. "We are having to learn a new skill," she says. "How to 'work' a room—how to move if you're bored—how to make the most of the people there. There is no protection as there is in the formal sit-down dinner. A male friend of mine once told me, 'When I go to a buffet, I get my food, take the arm of the two most attractive women in the room, and carry them off to the couch to sit down and eat with me.' Would that we could all be so self-confident!"

The simplest solution to the problem of people who don't know each other or who are shy is, of course, to seat them formally—even with place cards. However informal the gathering, it is possible to make sure that Jane sits next to John, or that the out-of-town museum board member sits next to the local collector. "I feel people are happier and mix better if the hostess has planned proper seating for them," says Mrs. Douglas. "A seated buffet with place cards is much more pleasant for me. Sometimes it's the only chance I have to talk to a man. At many Hollywood parties, the men talk business together before and after dinner."

Giving your guests the right space to enjoy themselves in is one thing—but a more fundamental element in today's informal entertaining, Dr. and Mrs. Hall believe, is the party's MESSAGE. "A party is basically a communication," Dr. Hall told me. "A very involved, elaborate communication on a great many levels. There are countless types of party you may attend—friendship, business, ego trip, status, or whatever—but implicit in any party is a classification system of this type. I am not suggesting a party should be analyzed to death, but both hostess and guest should have some idea of what the party is about. Otherwise everyone will go home disappointed, frustrated, or bored."

All social occasions have an inner meaning—a wedding is one of the most obvious examples. In a small, formal party, communication of this type is usually quite simple. If there are only 6 or 8 people present at the table, it is a fairly speedy business to establish who everyone is, and why the hostess invited you. (Indeed the hostess is expected to plan very carefully

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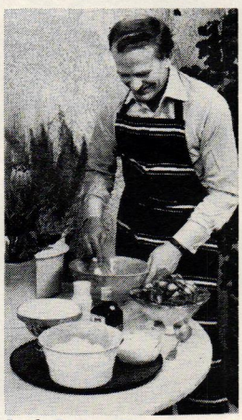
Mr. and Mrs. William Rayner; chicken.



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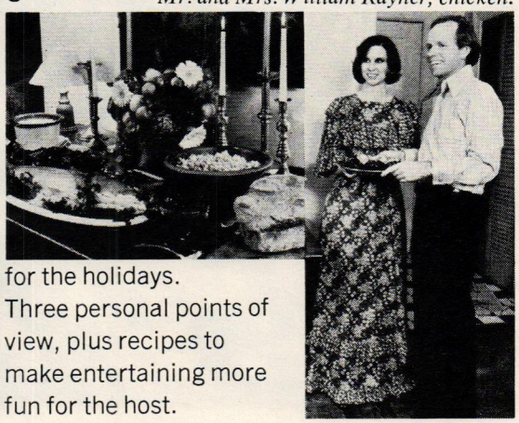

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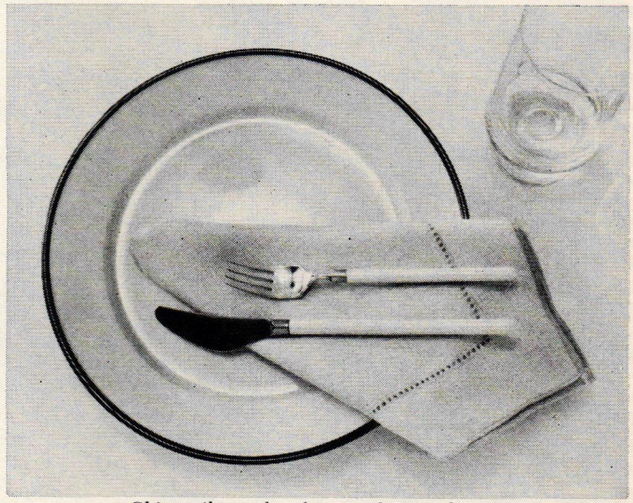

China, silver, glass by Royal Copenhagen; Vera napkin.

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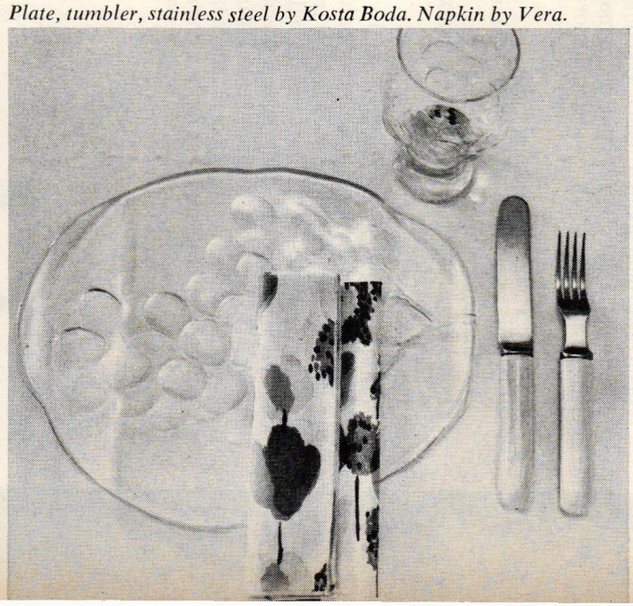
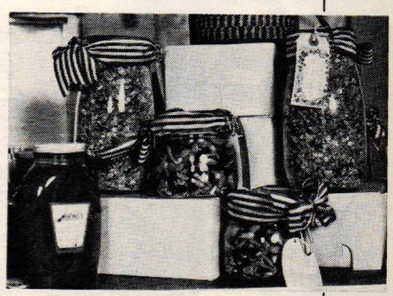
Plate, tumbler, stainless steel by Kosta Boda. Napkin by Vera.





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Sweet charity—baking for a cause
Recipes for food made to benefit the Lenox Hill Neighborhood Association.

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1 package (4-serving size) Jell-O® Pistachio Instant Pudding and Pie Filling
1 package (2-layer size) yellow cake mix
½ teaspoon almond extract
4 eggs 1¼ cup water ¼ cup oil
7 drops green food coloring (optional)

Combine all ingredients in large mixer bowl. Blend; then beat at medium speed of electric mixer for 2 minutes. Pour into greased and floured 10-inch tube or Bundt® pan. Bake at 350° for 50 to 55 minutes or until cake springs back when lightly pressed. Cool in pan 15 minutes. Remove from pan; finish cooling on rack.*

*In high altitude areas, use large eggs, add ¼ cup all-purpose flour and increase water to 1½ cups.

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Kitchen buffets

America's great cooks discuss a favorite way of entertaining

What do America's great cooks have in common besides, of course, a gift for inventing beautiful food? A super kitchen that they retreat to not just for cooking but for entertaining. The kitchen, they find, is the perfect spot for an easy party—one that is relaxed because the setup is casual. Here are seven kitchen parties, from James Beard and Maurice Moore-Betty in New York, Julia Child in Cambridge, Julie Dannenbaum in Philadelphia, Craig Caliborne with Pierre Franey in Long Island, Chuck Williams in San Francisco, Harriet Healy in Palm Beach. Menus and recipes plus their own special drinks, and tips for convivial kitchen parties appear below.

MAURICE MOORE-BETTY

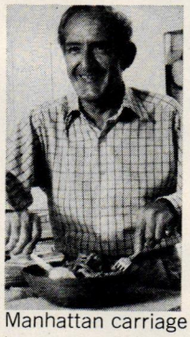
KITCHEN BUFFET FOR 8

MENU
Cold tomato consommé with vodka

Petite turban of sole
Purée of lima beans
Fontina cheese, toasted wholewheat pita bread
Green salad

Floating island

Blanc de blancs—Côteaux champenois



Maurice Moore-Betty, who runs one of New York's best cooking schools and is the author of several cookbooks, has a spacious kitchen - dining room for entertaining in his Manhattan carriage house. "I like to have everything ready before a kitchen party, so there is no last minute work. The timing of the sole is important, and I keep it warm for a little while in a low oven. I make batches of the white roux for the sauce ahead of time and store in the refrigerator, so that I can put the sauce together in a matter of minutes. While guests have their soup, I bring everything else out. I like to serve the iced tomato consommé in heavy glass-footed tumblers and spark it with a shot of vodka for guests who like it that way. It is delicious, better than a Bloody Mary," says Mr. Moore-Betty, who keeps a bottle of Zubrowka Polish vodka in the freezer at all times and adds a twist of lemon rind to the bottle. "It gives the vodka a lovely flavor."

Cold tomato consommé

Ingredients

2 cups canned Italian plum tomatoes with basil
4 cups chicken stock
1 tablespoon sugar
¼ cup dry vermouth
salt, and pepper to taste
½ cup parsley sprigs, chopped
zest of 1 lemon, shredded
vodka, optional

Method

☐ Simmer tomatoes and chicken stock for 5 minutes. Rub through a fine sieve. Add sugar, vermouth, salt, and pepper. Serve hot or cold. Garnish with parsley and lemon zest. A small shot of vodka may be added. Makes about 6 cups.

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JAMES BEARD

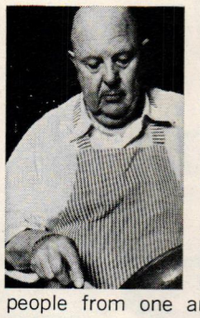
KITCHEN BUFFET FOR 10

MENU
Salad bar and dressings
Garlic vinaigrette
Mustard, anchovy mayonnaise
Yogurt-blue cheese dressing

Navarin of lamb
Hot biscuits

Assorted cheeses
French bread
Pear sorbet

Pinot Chardonnay—Joe Heitz
Bandol
Coffee, chilled framboise



"I like the feeling of movement that comes from a kitchen party; it has a better rhythm than a more formal atmosphere," says James Beard, who likes to attract people from one area to another with small islands of delicious things to eat. The heart of Mr. Beard's Greenwich Village kitchen is an abbreviated U-shaped counter where he sets up wines—a big silver punch bowl filled with ice for magnums of white wine ("I have a passion for magnums"), and red wines on a tray. The main course, a navarin of lamb, is kept warm on the Corning cooktop set into the island. For this simple buffet a great harvest of salads is set up on a counter near the garden door: a big bowl of greens—endive, arugula, bibb, romaine—and a variety of dishes and plates in different patterns to hold julienned raw zucchini, cucumber, thinly sliced onion, and tomato. Three dressings, whizzed up in the Cuisinart food processor, are served separately so guests can mix their own favorite salad. (James Beard's latest book is *New Recipes for the Cuisinart Food Processor* [$3.98].) Cheeses and breads are set out in the adjoining dining room with separate plates and knives. Guests can gather in clusters in the kitchen on stools or at tables set in the garden, the kitchen, and the dining room. "I like flowers in the kitchen, too," says Beard, who makes everything festive with arrangements of marigolds and chrysanthemums and candles everywhere, inside and out.

Mustard-Anchovy mayonnaise

Ingredients

2 eggs
1 clove garlic, peeled
¼ cup lemon juice
about 1½ cups peanut oil, or enough to make a mayonnaise
4-5 anchovy fillets
1½ tablespoons Dijon or tarragon mustard

Method

☐ Combine eggs, garlic, and lemon juice in bowl of a Cuisinart food processor and process for 15 seconds. Continue processing and dribble in enough oil to make a thick mayonnaise. Add anchovy fillets and mustard and process for 30 seconds. With anchovy fillets you will probably not need salt. Makes about 2 cups.

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JULIA CHILD

KITCHEN BUFFET FOR 20

MENU
White bean soup with herbs and lemon

Turkey ballottine
Broccoli Parmesan
Rice and mushrooms
Watercress and endive salad

Vermont Cheddar
Apples Rosie, crème fraîche

Asti spumante
Côtes du Rhône

"What's so nice about a buffet is that people can take just what they want," says Julia Child, whose latest book is called *From Julia Child's Kitchen* (Knopf). "I like to start off with a soup and serve it in a big copper or earthenware bowl right from the stove, with toasted Armenian cracker bread set to the right of the stove.

"Although I prefer small, sit-down affairs, when we do a buffet, I serve all the food from our big, roomy kitchen and let the people wander about the rest of the house as they please. While guests serve their own soup, we clean up the cocktail mess. As help is so expensive, Paul and I like to give a joint party with another couple so that the four of us can share with the chores, or we try and find the daughter or son of a friend to help.

"To make the rice and mush-

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THINK BUFFET
VEGETARIAN THAN

Centerpiece of grapes, apples, peppers, artichokes, with fresh fruit bowl, muffins, desserts, and coffee pitcher filled with pero.

Homemade whole-wheat bread on reproduction of old Dutch board, with relish, whole-wheat macaroni.

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The Coppers, *right*, adding finishing touches to their feast. *Left:* Baked apples and pumpkin pie with cream cheese crust; French 19th-century silver serving spoon.

"The challenge of vegetarian food is to make it look appetizing," say interior designer Arnold Copper and his wife, Morinda. They seem to have met the challenge with ease, judging from this magnificent Thanksgiving spread. The stuffed sea bass, which takes the place of the turkey, is laid out on an early 18th-century walnut library table against the wall, *left,* with whole-wheat macaroni and corn pudding in American earthenware crocks. Seasonal fruits are used as decoration as well as for eating, the glowing colors blending with the Irish brass candlesticks and gilded wooden lamps. The traditional desserts, pumpkin pie and baked apples, complete the celebration. For refreshment, there's homemade apple champagne and *pero* (a coffee substitute of barley, chicory, and molasses) served with milk and cinnamon. Planning the buffet for 8, the Coppers set up two tables of 4, *right,* (there are more tables for more people). Blue and white Chinese plates on the walls echo the blue and white rug, woven by Arnold's brother John Copper and Gregory Newham. The Coppers' interests are varied (he is coauthor of a book, *Psychic Summer,* published in October by Dial Press) and they entertain a lot—sometimes as many as 40—taking turns cooking. "Arnold likes informal parties," says his wife. "He can take things from the refrigerator and turn them into marvelous dishes quite spontaneously. He likes using fresh vegetables and fruits, preserving their natural state as much as possible." Morinda Copper works differently—she plans ahead, and makes lists, preferring to create sauces and prepared food. "I like to find interesting casseroles that don't look like casseroles," she says. "For instance, I make vegetable macaroni with unpeeled, steamed eggplant, tomatoes, and zucchini. The sliced wedges look very attractive."

Table drawn up to sofa, *above*, with Welsh Chippendale chairs. French engravings. Another, *below*, near fireplace with a beam for a mantel.

MENU

*Baked stuffed striped bass**
*Béarnaise sauce**
*Corn pudding**
*Acorn squash**
*Whole-wheat macaroni**
*Hot cranberry and orange relish**
Homemade whole-wheat bread
Homemade bran muffins

*Pumpkin pie**
Baked apples

Apple champagne (apple juice, soda, white grape juice)
Pero (coffee substitute) served with milk and cinnamon

BEADLE

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rooms for 20, I use 4 cups of raw rice to produce 12 cups of cooked rice, and 1¼ pounds of mushrooms for one cup of duxelles (chopped, squeezed, cooked, and flavored with minced shallots). Toss rice and duxelles in butter to combine.

"While people are helping themselves to the main course set up on the kitchen table, we clear up the soup dishes—stash things in the sink or on counters and cover with clean tea towels or upside-down pots so that everything looks neat." Salad and cheese are set on a work top in the kitchen, but dessert is passed around to guests with coffee, "as the kitchen does look a bit messy by this time."

White bean soup with herbs and lemon

From Julia Child's Kitchen. This delicious soup, served in fancy cups, would be good even at a formal dinner, especially when you use the cream enrichment with herbs and lemon.

Ingredients

2 celery stalks, sliced
1 medium onion, sliced
1 medium leek, or another onion, sliced
3 tablspoons butter
6 cups liquid (chicken stock, or water, or a combination)
1½ cups washed white beans of any type, or flageolets
1 bay leaf
2 teaspoons salt
optional: 1 or more cloves garlic, unpeeled

Method

☐ In an uncovered pressure cooker, or in a heavy 3- to 4-quart saucepan, sauté the sliced vegetables in the butter 5 minutes until fairly limp, but not browned. Add the liquid, bring to the boil, then add the beans, bay leaf, salt, and optional garlic. Bring rapidly to the boil again, uncovered, and boil exactly 2 minutes. Remove from heat, cover pan, and set aside for 1 hour. Then bring to the boil again. Either pressure cook exactly 5 minutes at full pressure, then let pressure go down by itself—15 to 20 minutes; or simmer slowly, partially covered, for 1½-2 hours, until beans are thoroughly tender. Add a little boiling water if liquid has evaporated below top level of beans.
☐ Drain in a colander set over a glass bowl. Discard bay leaf. Squeeze contents of optional garlic cloves into beans, and purée beans and other vegetables either through a vegetable mill or in an electric blender. Return purée and cooking liquid to pan.
☐ Now you may thin out the soup with milk, enrich it with cream, season it to taste, and serve it forth, or try the following enrichment. (Makes about 2 quarts, serving 4-6 people.)

Egg yolk and cream enrichment

Ingredients

big pinches each of salt, white pepper, nutmeg
2 egg yolks in a mixing bowl
½ cup heavy cream plus more cream, or milk, if needed
4-6 tablespoons soft butter blended with: the grated rind and strained juice of 1 lemon; 3-4 tablespoons fresh minced herbs such as basil, or tarragon and parsley, or summer savory and parsley, or fresh parsley and ½ teaspoon dried tarragon
Optional: Toasted and buttered homemade croutons

Method

☐ Just before serving, bring the soup to the simmer, carefully correct seasoning with salt, white pepper, and nutmeg. Then, beating the yolks with a wire whip, blend in ½ cup cream and, by dribbles, several ladlesful of hot soup. Pour this mixture back into the soup, and bring to just below the simmer. If soup seems too thick, thin out with spoonfuls of cream or milk. Remove from heat, and beat in the herbal lemon butter by spoonfuls. Serve immediately, accompanied, if you wish, with toasted and buttered croutons.
☐ *Cold bean soup.* The preceding bean soup with its herb and lemon fillip is also very good cold. Overseason it slightly, chill it, and when you are ready to serve, stir in a bit of chilled medium cream; top each serving with a sprinkling of fresh green herbs, or with a slice of lemon and slices of hard-boiled egg sprinkled with herbs.

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Paul Child's party drinks

Reverse Martini

In an Old-fashioned glass, pour a jigger of Noilly Prat vermouth. Float 1½ tablespoons of gin on the top, add a twist of lemon. "Makes you think you're having a martini," says Julia Child of her favorite before dinner drink.

Rum Brosia

½ bottle Myers rum
½ cup Noilly Prat vermouth
⅓ cup Cointreau
½ cup strong jasmine tea
¼ cup unsweetened Roses's lime juice
1 whole lime chopped with its zest
1½ tablespoons raspberry syrup
8 drops angostura bitters
5 drops orange bitters

Shake together in a large cocktail shaker or Mason jar with half a tray of ice cubes. Refrigerate one hour. Serve in chilled glasses. 1 quart.

Buddha's Eye

½ cup gin
1 tablespoon Rose's lime juice
1 tablespoon green crème de menthe

Shake with a little ice. Pour into 2 glasses.

CHUCK WILLIAMS

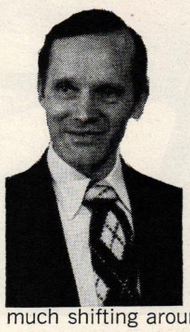
KITCHEN BUFFET FOR 6

MENU
Thinly sliced smoked salmon, capers, onions, lemon
Thinly sliced French bread
Tiny toasted onion rolls and bagels

Scampi
James Beard's spider bread
Fresh spinach salad with crumbled Canadian bacon and water chestnuts, tarragon vinaigrette

Sliced oranges Venetian style

White Burgundy



For Chuck Williams, food buff, cook, founder of Williams-Sonoma, the San Francisco kitchen shop, "too many courses are difficult to manage in the kitchen; it makes too much shifting around and also provides too much to eat. I like to serve simple food, prepared ahead with just one thing to do when guests are there—in this case, put the shrimp in the oven. There's too much noise and confusion if you attempt to cook in a kitchen filled with guests." Smoked salmon, a fresh version locally smoked, is served with clear glass bowls of capers, chopped onion, lemon wedges. Mr. Williams' kitchen with its sofa, dining table, benches, chairs provides comfortable spots for guests.

Scampi

Ingredients

2 pounds large raw shrimp or prawns
2 tablespoons butter
1 tablespoon fresh tarragon, chopped, or 1 teaspoon dried
1 heaping tablespoon shallots, chopped
olive oil
salt, pepper

Method

☐ Peel the shrimp, but leave the last segment of shell and the tail on. Butterfly by carefully cutting along the backs, but not all the way through, and flatten out.
☐ Spread a low baking dish with the butter. Place shrimp with tails up in the dish and sprinkle with the tarragon and shallots. Drizzle with a little oil and season lightly with salt and pepper.
☐ Bake in a hot, 400° oven for 10-15 minutes. Be careful not to overcook. Serve at once. Serves 6 (10-12 shrimps per person).

Drinks

"I like to serve simple drinks," says Mr. Williams. "People seem to like clear, cold, pale drinks today—cold white wine; Lillet on ice with a twist of lemon, or vodka perhaps with lemon and a splash of soda."

JAMES BEARD

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Garlic vinaigrette

Ingredients

3 cloves garlic, peeled, or to taste
1 cup olive or peanut oil
¼ cup sherry or white wine vinegar
1 teaspoon salt, or to taste
1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
½ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
¼ cup parsley sprigs

Method

☐ Combine all ingredients in bowl of a Cuisinart food processor. Process for 45 seconds or until completely blended. Taste for seasonings and flavor balance and correct if need be. Makes about 1¼ cups.

Yogurt-blue cheese dressing

Ingredients

1 cup plain yogurt
1 cup blue cheese
2 tablespoons shallots or chives, chopped
2 teaspoons wine vinegar
¼ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Method

☐ Combine all ingredients in the bowl of the Cuisinart food processor and process for 30 seconds, or until well blended. Makes about 2 cups.

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JULIE DANNENBAUM

KITCHEN BUFFET FOR 12

MENU

Deviled clams

Madeira-baked ham in a crust
Mustard ring
Julienne of celery and green beans with parsley butter
Whipped acorn squash with herbs
Relish platter
Brown bread
Crock of unsalted butter

Pineapple granita served in pineapple shells
Plain cookies

Champagne throughout

"I have two round tables in my basement kitchen and a third in a closet so we (my husband Harry and I) can have up to 15 sitting in the kitchen," says Julie Dannenbaum, who teaches from her cooking school in Philadelphia and, during the summer, at the Gritti Palace in Venice. "We find that everyone loves to be in the kitchen and it is often hard to get them to leave! As there are no windows, people think they are in a nightclub. I use stainless steel, pottery, and glass in the kitchen and ask guests to come dressed very casually. Or for fun, I suggest black tie and use my best things." Centerpieces in the Dannenbaum kitchen are apt to be breadboards with homemade bread and a serrated knife for each table, or antique wine coasters to hold each table's bottle.

Madeira-baked ham in a crust

The crust is really just for looks, and to keep the ham moist.

Ingredients for crust

4½ cups flour
1 cup solid shortening
1 cup cold water or more

Method for crust

☐ Make the crust in 2 batches in a Cuisinart food processor. Place half the flour and shortening in the bowl, and, with the machine running, add just enough water to bring the dough into a ball. Or in a bowl, cut the shortening into the flour and add water, working quickly with the hands to form it into a ball. Set pastry aside.

Ingredients for ham

1 12-15-pound precooked ham
1 cup Madeira wine and more
½ cup Dijon mustard
1½ cups brown sauce (optional), freshly cracked black pepper for sauce

Method for ham

☐ Trim the skin from the ham and with an injector that looks like a tiny bulb baster, inject the ham with at least ½ cup Madeira. Or cut small slits in the ham and pour the Madeira into them.

☐ Brush on the mustard. Roll out the pastry and drape over the ham, tucking the ends under the ham. Place on a rack and let rest overnight in the refrigerator to give the Madeira time to permeate the ham. (If you do not want to make the pastry, cover the ham with aluminum foil.)

☐ Preheat the oven to 325° and bake the ham for 3½-4 hours or until the shank bone moves easily. Keep ½ cup each Madeira and water in the bottom of the baking pan during the cooking to keep the moisture constant.

☐ Remove ham to a carving board and bring to the table to serve. Remove crust or foil and carve lengthwise into thin slices.

☐ If you want to serve the ham with a sauce, pour off the fat from the baking pan, and add 1½ cups brown sauce. Bring to a boil and season with freshly cracked black pepper to taste.

Drinks

Jersey Lightning

Shake equal parts cranberry juice and applejack in a cocktail shaker with lots of ice. Serve over ice or straight up.

Stingers

Serve these when you want a lively party to last a long time. Shake 2 parts brandy and 1 part white crème de menthe with lots of ice in a cocktail shaker. Serve over ice or straight up.

HARRIET HEALY

KITCHEN BUFFET FOR 6

MENU

Chicken broth flavored with clam juice topped with whipped cream

Chicken au bon goût
Soubise sauce
Tomatoes Provençale

Peaches with almonds, raspberry sauce

Corton Charlemagne

Harriet Healy, who ran a cooking school in Palm Beach for many years and who is now working on a new cookbook of "good quick things and light, new-wave dishes," has two kitchens in her Palm Beach house. Her own special kitchen, done in blue-and-white toile de Jouy and old French furniture, is her favorite spot for entertaining. Mrs. Healy's preferred number for parties is six; she never has more than eight. All the preparation, cooking, and serving she does herself. "It is so much more fun than having other people doing it." She likes to start off with a soup course, served in the living room—this time a chicken broth with clam juice and whipped cream, served in pot de crème cups. After the soup course, she and her guests return to the kitchen for the main course. *Note:* The following recipe is taken from *Palm Beach Entertains Then and Now,* by the Junior League of the Palm Beaches, published this month by Coward, McCann & Geoghegan.

Chicken au bon goût

Harriet Healy recommends using a food processor when preparing the chicken, since this can be heavy work for the average blender. She assembles the patties a day ahead, refrigerates them, and sautées them just before serving. She places them on a serving platter and with a pastry tube pipes a soubise sauce around the edges.

Ingredients

1¾ cups cream
6 chicken breasts, boned, skinned and cut into small pieces
1 small onion or shallot, peeled
2 slices white bread with crusts removed, crumbled
½ pound twice-ground round steak
1 egg
2½ teaspoons salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper
4 tablespoons butter
lemon parsley butter, or 8 mushroom slices
soubise sauce

Method

☐ Place in a food processor or blender ½ cup of the cream, ½ of the chicken pieces, and the onion or shallot. Blend, using an on-off technique, and loosen meat mixture around blades with a long rubber spatula. Remove to a bowl and repeat with remaining chicken pieces and another ½ cup cream. Add to bowl.

☐ In a separate bowl, soak the bread in ¾ cup cream. Add ground round and bread to the chicken mixture. Stir in egg, salt, and pepper and beat by hand until light and fluffy. Chill 2 hours or more. Beat again.

☐ Melt butter in large skillet. With wet hands quickly mold the chicken mixture into patties and drop into hot butter. Sear quickly on both sides but do not overbrown. Reduce heat and cook slowly for 20 minutes, turning twice. Serve with a small ball of lemon-parsley butter or a mushroom slice on top of each patty. Serves 6-8.

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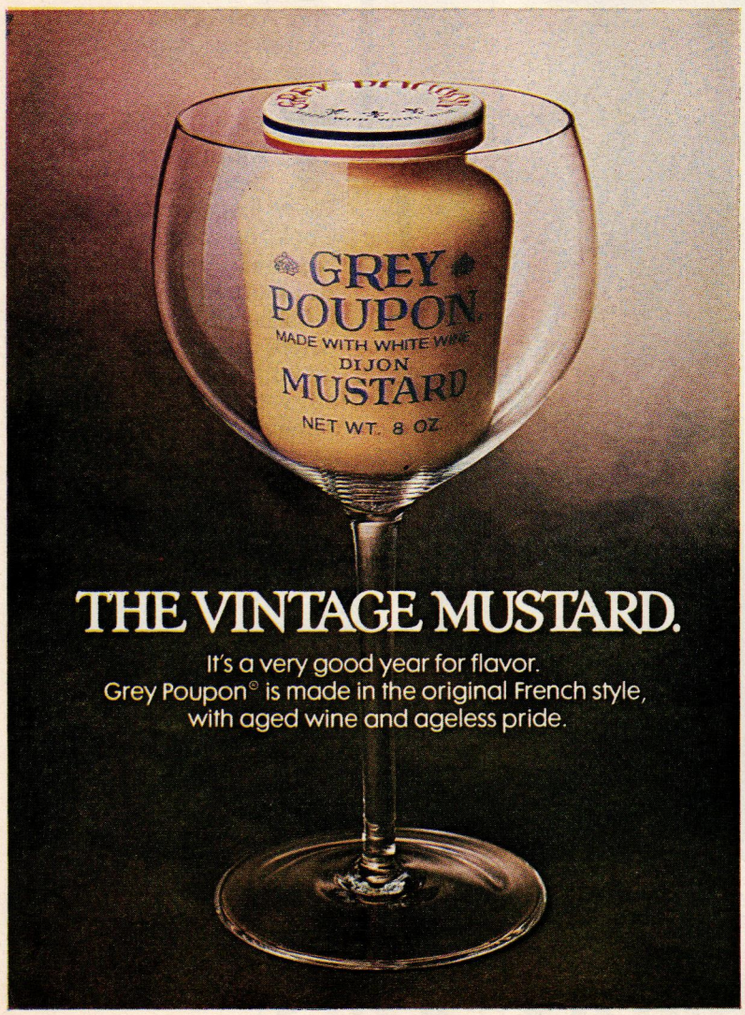
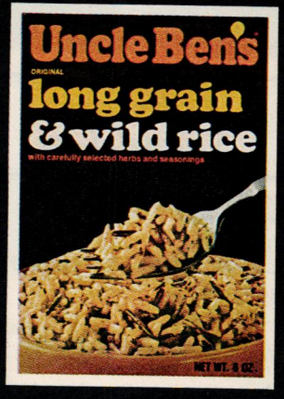


Tuesday's hamburger used to get my family pretty excited about Wednesday. Until I added a blend of two rices and twenty-three different herbs and seasonings.

What a success.



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CRAIG CLAIBORNE AND PIERRE FRANEY

KITCHEN BUFFET FOR 24

Craig Claiborne and Pierre Franey cook together both for pleasure and professionally for *The New York Times Sunday Magazine* food pages. Craig Claiborne's Long Island kitchen is a constant hive of cooking activity for parties, and stories that always seem to turn into parties. This collaboration of a Francophile and a Frenchman often produces a French menu, as for this multicourse holiday party. Lashings of sparkling wine are served before the feast. "I like Le Duc and Boyer; they are great values in New York for party drinking at about $6 and $4.75 a bottle."

MENU
Caviar
Grilled boudin blanc (white sausage with truffles)
Grilled boudin noir (black blood sausage)
Oysters on the half shell
Assorted pâtés
Lobsters Shangri-la
Salade Russe

Cold poached striped bass, sauce Gribiche
Roast turkey, sage stuffing
Puréed rutabaga, puréed chestnuts, puréed potatoes

Stilton, Brie, Camembert

Pumpkin pie
Tangerine ice

Chassagne-Montrachet
La Tâche

Lobsters Shangri-la

Ingredients

12 lobsters
salade Russe (recipe below)
lemon slices
parsley

Method

☐ Drop the lobsters into boiling sea water or salted fresh water to cover. Cover and let cook 15 minutes. Drain thoroughly.

☐ Remove the claws of the lobsters and take out the meat; cut in cubes, put in a bowl. Split the lobsters in half and loosen the tail meat from each half. Replace it. Remove the coral and so on from the chest cavities. Add it to the claw meat. Add salade Russe and stuff the cavities with the mixture. Garnish with lemon slices and parsley. Serves 24.

Salade Russe

Ingredients

1 cup potatoes, peeled, and cut into ½-inch cubes
1 cup carrots, scraped, and cut into ½-inch cubes
½ cup string beans, trimmed, and cut into ½-inch lengths
¼ cup green peas
1 cup mayonnaise, preferably freshly made

Method

☐ Cook the vegetables in separate batches of boiling salted water. Cook until just tender. Drain as each vegetable is ready and run under cold running water. Drain thoroughly.

☐ Put the vegetables and mayonnaise in a large bowl and stir to blend. Makes about 3½ cups.

Tangerine ice

Ingredients

4 cups freshly-squeezed tangerine juice
1½ cups water
1½ cups sugar
2 tablespoons lemon juice
½ cup mandarine liqueur, available in fine wine shops

Method

☐ The most efficient way to extract tangerine juice is to use an electric vegetable and fruit juice extractor. Failing that, squeeze the juice by hand with a regular juice extractor.

☐ Combine the water and sugar in a saucepan and bring to the boil. Simmer 5 minutes. Cool, then chill thoroughly. Add the tangerine juice, lemon juice, and mandarine liqueur.

☐ Pour the mixture into the container of an electric or hand-cranked ice-cream freezer and freeze according to the manufacturer's instructions. The ice may be served with more mandarine liqueur poured over. Makes 2 quarts or 12-14 servings.

Drinks

Margaritas

Salt
juice of ½ a juicy lime
1½ ounces tequila
1 ounce Triple Sec or Cointreau

Run the cut half of the lime around the edge of a cocktail glass and dip into salt. Shake all ingredients with lots of ice. Strain into a pitcher. Put into the freezer until very cold. Pour into the glass when ready to serve.

Medicato

From Sirio Maccioni, owner of New York's Le Cirque restaurant: Put a splash of Campari in a wine glass with ice, fill with dry white wine; add a twist of orange zest.

Campari Lillet

Add a touch of Campari and ice to a wine or sherry glass. Fill with Lillet. Add a twist of orange zest.

Salty dog

1½ ounces vodka
¾ cup fresh grapefruit juice
¼ teaspoon salt

Serve cold over ice in a tall glass.

Serve simple drinks—cold white wine; Lillet on ice with a twist of lemon; or vodka with lemon and a splash of soda

HARRIET HEALY

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Lemon parsley butter

Ingredients

¼ cup butter, softened
1 tablespoon fresh parsley, finely chopped
1 teaspoon lemon juice

Method

☐ Cream all the ingredients together and divide into 6-8 portions to be placed on the patties.

Soubise sauce

Ingredients

3 tablespoons butter
1 large Bermuda onion, chopped
1 cup cooked rice
1¼ cups chicken broth
6 mushrooms
1 egg yolk
4 tablespoons cream
sprig parsley
salt, pepper to taste

Method

☐ In a medium saucepan, melt the butter and sauté the onion until translucent, being careful not to brown it. Add the cooked rice and chicken broth. Bring to a boil and simmer gently for 5 minutes.

☐ While this is cooking, place mushrooms in a saucepan with water to cover, and cook 5-10 minutes until tender. Drain.

☐ In a blender, combine the rice mixture, mushrooms, egg yolk, cream, and parsley. Blend until smooth. Add salt and pepper to taste. Keep warm in the top of a double boiler over simmering water until ready to serve. Serves 6-8.

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MAURICE MOORE-BETTY

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Floating island

Ingredients for the island

3 egg whites
pinch of salt
½ cup confectioners' sugar, sifted
¼ teaspoon almond extract
butter

Method

☐ Heat oven to 225°. Beat the egg whites until they hold soft peaks. Add salt. Gradually add sugar and almond extract and continue beating for 5-6 minutes. Butter 4 one-cup ramekins or 8 half-cup ramekins, or a 1-quart soufflé dish. Fill with meringue and stand it in a roasting pan with enough hot water to come half way up the mold. Bake for 20-25 minutes. Cool and unmold onto a deep platter. At this stage, the island may be frozen or kept refrigerated a day.

Ingredients for crème Anglaise

4 large egg yolks
2 cups hot milk
¼ cup sugar

Method

☐ In the top of a double boiler, beat egg yolks and add hot milk and sugar. Cook over hot water until back of a wooden spoon is generously coated. Do not allow it to boil, or the custard will curdle. Remove from heat and beat until cool. Arrange island in a deep dish and pour the crème Anglaise around it.

Ingredients for caramel

½ cup sugar
2-3 tablespoons boiling water

Method

☐ Dissolve sugar in water over low heat in a heavy saucepan. Raise heat and cook without stirring until dark amber. Carefully dribble over islands. The completed dish may be refrigerated for 3-4 hours, but no longer. Serves 6. ■

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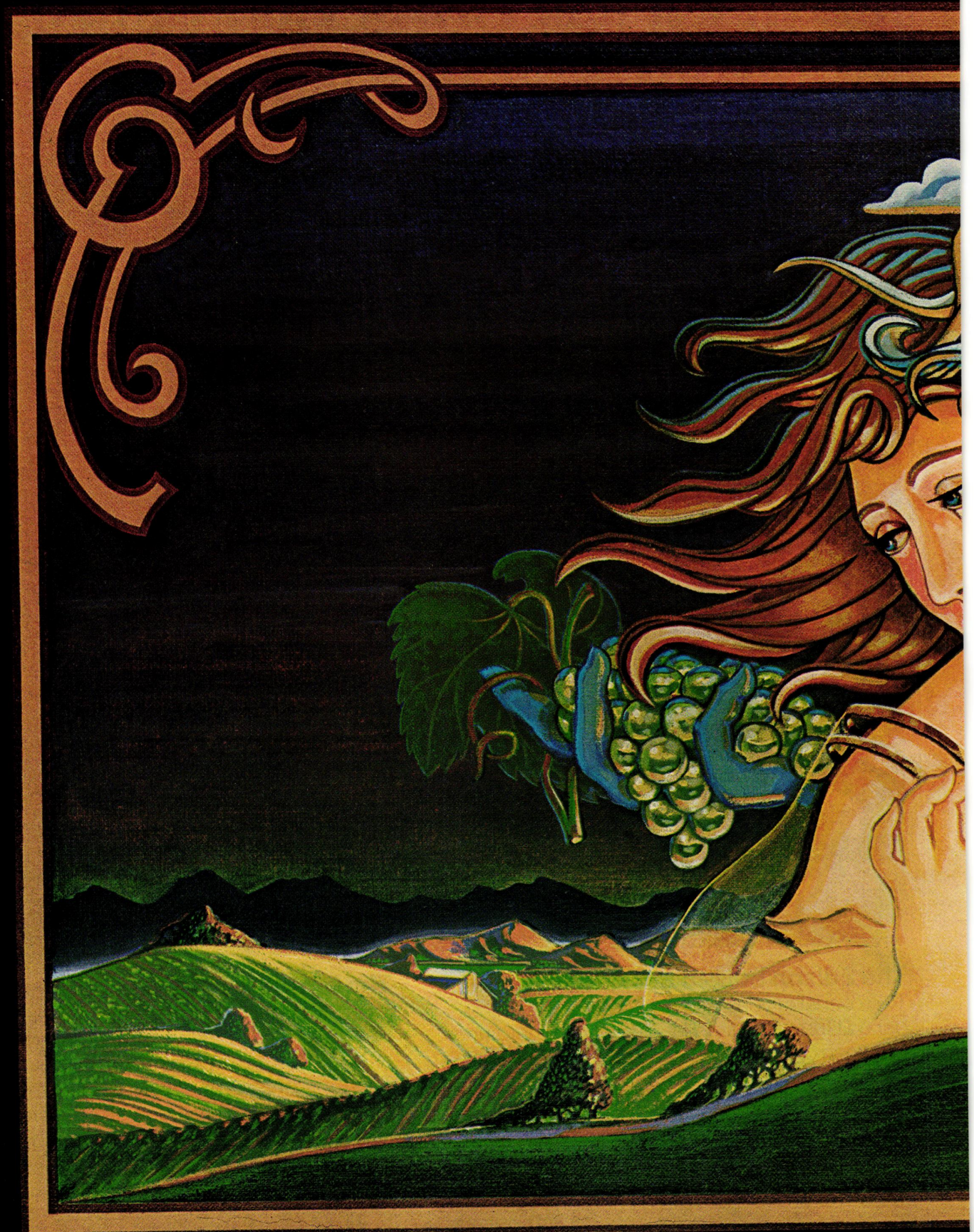

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WINE & FOOD

Great ways with buffet food

from William and Chessy Rayner, Jack Lenor Larsen, and Arnold Copper

Buffets can be as individual as their givers. Here are three with very different menus and moods. William and Chessy Rayner, whose kitchen buffet appears on page 128, like hearty corned beef complemented by colorful, easy-to-prepare vegetables. Jack Lenor Larsen, page 132, leans to an exotic menu ranging from walnut soup to Cuban black beans. Arnold Copper, whose sumptuous vegetarian Thanksgiving dinner is on page 178, offers guests a feasts of fresh fish and vegetables.

KITCHEN CASUAL
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Hearty food from the William Rayners

Corned beef and cabbage

Ingredients

3 3-pound packages corned beef
8 heads green cabbage

Method

☐ Wash corned beef under cold water to remove excess brine. Put beef in a large kettle and cover with boiling water (about 6 quarts) and simmer 3-4 hours, or until fork-tender in the center. Carve in thin vertical slices.

☐ Quarter cabbages; add to a large kettle of boiling salted water and cook 6-8 minutes. Do not overcook. Drain and serve with corned beef along with horseradish, or horseradish sauce.

White horseradish sauce

Ingredients

2 bottles (4 ounces each) prepared horseradish
1 pint heavy cream

Method

In a bowl whip heavy cream until light but not stiff. Add white horseradish and combine thoroughly. Put in a sauceboat; serve with corned beef.

☐ *Note:* Have on hand 2 bottles (4 ounces each) red horseradish sauce to serve also.

Creamed spinach

Ingredients

8 pounds fresh leaf spinach, or 8 packages (10 ounces each) frozen leaf spinach
2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons flour
2 cups light cream or milk, warm
salt, nutmeg, white pepper

Method

☐ Cook spinach in a small amount of water in a large pot, with a plate or lid on top of spinach to weigh it down. (Cook in 1- or 2-pound batches.) Spinach will cook down to about 8 cups. Drain and chop fine.

☐ In a large saucepan melt the butter and add the flour. Whisk until smooth. Add the cream or milk and cook over low heat until lightly thickened. Add spinach and season with salt, nutmeg, and white pepper. Put in ovenproof serving dish and keep warm.

Carrots Français

Ingredients

6 packages (12 ounces each) baby carrots
1 bunch parsley, chopped
3 tablespoons butter

Method

☐ Scrape carrots and slice lengthwise. In a large saucepan cook, covered, in boiling salted water about 10 minutes. Drain and toss with butter and parsley. Arrange in a serving dish.

Baked potato skins

Ingredients

24 baking potatoes
olive oil
butter

Method

☐ Grease potatoes with olive oil and bake in a preheated 425° oven for 40-60 minutes. When half done, puncture skins with a fork to allow steam to escape. Let cool.

☐ Cut in half and scoop out meat. Arrange potato skins in an ovenproof serving dish, dab with butter, and reheat. Serve warm. Retain meat of potatoes for whisked potatoes.

Whisked potatoes

Ingredients

meat from 24 baking potatoes
¼ pound butter, melted
1 cup heavy cream, warmed
1 pound bacon

Method

☐ Put potatoes through a food mill or mash until smooth. In a large bowl or saucepan whisk potatoes with the butter and cream until light.

☐ Broil bacon until crisp; drain thoroughly on brown paper. Crumble bacon and whisk into potatoes. To aid in fluffing potatoes, place over very low heat (or on top of a flame tamer) for 5 minutes. Put in ovenproof serving dish and run under broiler for a minute before serving to brown the top.

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International food prepared ahead, or right before the guests' eyes, from Jack Lenor Larsen

Walnut soup

Ingredients

6 ounces walnuts, shelled
1 large clove garlic, peeled

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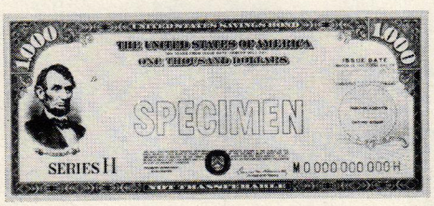

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2 pints light chicken stock
1 pint cream
salt, freshly ground black pepper

Method

☐ With a mortar and pestle, or in a blender, crush the walnuts and garlic to a paste with a little of the stock. Transfer to a bowl and incorporate the rest of the stock slowly until the mixture is the consistency of cream.

☐ Pour the soup through a sieve into a saucepan and bring to a boil. Add the cream and salt and pepper to taste. Soup can be made ahead and cream added at serving time.

Baked ham with kumquats

Mr. Larsen likes to send away for peanut-fed hams from Georgia, where the hogs are grazed to develop lean muscles and good flavor. He likes ham for parties because it looks attractive, is easy to cook, feeds a large group, and is a versatile leftover.

Ingredients

1 8-10 pound ham
1 large jar preserved kumquats
1 heaping teaspoon Coleman's powdered mustard, or 2 tablespoons Dijon-style prepared mustard (or more to taste)
1 level teaspoon powdered cloves
½ cup brown sugar
watercress

Method

☐ For a tenderized ham, cut off the skin and excess fat. Score the ham, place it on a baking rack in a pan and bake at 350° for 2 hours.

☐ In a small saucepan reduce to half the juice from the jar of kumquats; cool. Add the mustard, cloves, and brown sugar. Glaze the ham with the mixture and return it to the oven for another ½ hour at 350°.

☐ Arrange the kumquats and watercress around the edge of the ham platter. Ham may be warmed just before serving.

Cuban black beans

Ingredients

3 8-ounce bags black beans
6 cloves garlic, chopped
1 cup bacon fat
10-20 packets MBT beef-flavored broth, to taste
2 kielbasa sausages, sliced
10-15 chorizo sausages, sliced
4 onions, chopped
2 tablespoons dried basil, or more to taste
2 tablespoons dried tarragon, or more to taste
1 pimiento, sliced
1 cup uncooked green peas, fresh or frozen, thawed

Method

☐ In a large, heavy pot put the beans and enough water to cover. Bring to a boil, lower heat, and cook slowly, covered, with ½ the garlic, the bacon fat, and 5 packets of the beef-broth mix. Watch that beans do not burn, adding water as necessary.

☐ When the beans are not quite al dente (about 1½ hours), add the sausages, onion, basil, tarragon, another 5 or more MBT packets, and remaining garlic. Keep watching the water. If, as you go along, the beans seem underflavored, add more beef broth. Simmer another ½ hour, or until beans are done.

☐ Arrange the pimiento and green peas on top of the beans in an ovenproof serving dish. Put in an unlit but still warm oven until serving time. The peas should be just cooked through but still bright green. Except for the garnish, the beans can be made a day ahead or kept several days in the refrigerator.

Fraise à la Widder

(Strawberry mousse)

Use fresh strawberries when they're in season.

Ingredients

juice of 1 lemon
grated zest of ½ lemon
juice of 1 orange
1 heaping tablespoon sugar
1 ounce Cointreau
2 large scoops vanilla ice cream
1 cup strawberries or more, sliced
lemon ice
unsweetened whipped cream

Method

☐ In a well-chilled bowl place the lemon juice, lemon zest, orange juice, and sugar. Stir well with a whisk.

☐ Stir in the Cointreau, ice cream, and strawberries. Mix well until light and creamy. Pour into individual bowls. Add some lemon ice to each and top with whipped cream. Serves 4. Triple for 14.

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Celebrate with meatless food, prepared without butter or oil by the Arnold Coppers

Baked stuffed striped bass

Ingredients

1 whole 12-pound striped bass or 2 smaller ones
1 large baking potato, thinly sliced
salt, pepper
½ pound crab meat, shredded
1 cup creamed cottage cheese
2 tablespoons fresh dill, chopped
juice of 2 lemons

Method

☐ Lay the fish in a low, shallow metal or glass baking dish on top of the potato slices to prevent the skin from sticking to the bottom of the pan. Season with salt and pepper inside and out.
☐ In a large bowl combine the crab meat, cottage cheese, dill, and the juice of 1 lemon. Mix well and stuff into the cavity of the fish.
☐ Squeeze the juice of the remaining lemon over the fish and bake at 350° in ¼-inch water until the flesh flakes easily, about 45 minutes.

Corn pudding

Ingredients

1 large can (16 ounces) creamed corn
3 tablespoons cream cheese
1 cup milk
3 whole eggs, lightly beaten
1 tablespoon honey
pinch salt

Method

☐ In a large bowl put the creamed corn, cream cheese, milk, eggs, and honey. Mix well and season to taste with salt.
☐ Grease a casserole dish with the cream cheese left on the foil wrapping to prevent sticking, and add corn mixture. Bake at 350° for 30-40 minutes.

Acorn squash

Ingredients

4 whole acorn squash
¼ cup milk
4 ounces cream cheese
salt, pepper
brown sugar
lemon juice
nutmeg

Method

☐ Cut the squash in half and steam until the centers are soft —but do not let shell soften and fall apart.
☐ Scoop out the squash and place in a bowl. Reserve the shells. Whip the squash flesh with the milk, cream cheese, salt, pepper, brown sugar, and lemon juice to taste. Pack mixture back into shells and grate nutmeg over tops. Bake at 325° for 20 minutes.

Whole-wheat macaroni

Ingredients

1 pound whole-wheat macaroni
1 package (8 ounces) farmer's cheese
½ cup milk
salt, pepper
½ teaspoon oregano
1 cup Cheddar cheese, freshly grated

Method

☐ Cook macaroni in lots of boiling salted water until just tender. Drain and mix it in a large bowl with the farmer's cheese, milk, salt and pepper to taste, and oregano.
☐ Put mixture into a baking dish, sprinkle with the Cheddar cheese, and bake in 350° oven for 30 minutes.

Hot cranberry and orange relish

Ingredients

1 pound whole, ripe cranberries
3 large oranges, peeled and cut into small pieces
½ cup water
juice of 1 large lemon or 2 small ones
¾ cup sugar

Method

☐ In a large heavy saucepan put the berries, oranges, water, lemon juice, and sugar. Cover and cook over very low heat several hours. Makes about 2 pints. Can be served cold if you wish.

Béarnaise sauce for fish

Ingredients

1 8-ounce package cream cheese, softened
3 egg yolks
juice of 1 lemon
salt, pepper
1 tablespoon onion, very finely minced
1 teaspoon tarragon
½ teaspoon chervil
½ tablespoon vinegar

Method

☐ Put the cream cheese in a heavy saucepan and blend in egg yolks one at a time, mixing well after each addition. Blend in lemon juice and a pinch of salt and pepper.
☐ Stir the mixture over very low heat and add the onion, tarragon, chervil, and vinegar. Cook for only a few minutes and serve. Makes about 1½ cups béarnaise sauce.

Pumpkin pie

Ingredients for crust

1 package graham crackers from large box
⅓ cup cream cheese, room temperature
¼ cup sugar

Method for crust

☐ Mash the graham crackers in a large plastic bag with a wooden mallet or the flat side of a hammer. Pour into a bowl, add cream cheese and sugar, and mix well. Mold into a 9-inch pie plate with your fingers.

Ingredients for pumpkin filling

1¾ cups milk
2 cups cooked pumpkin
3 eggs, beaten
¾ cup sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon nutmeg
1 teaspoon ground cloves

Method for filling

☐ In a large saucepan, bring the milk almost to the boiling point.
☐ In a bowl combine the pumpkin, eggs, sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg, and cloves. Add to the almost boiling milk and blend gently.
☐ Fill crust with pumpkin mixture and bake in a 350° oven for 45-60 minutes. Insert knife into the center of the pie. If it comes out clean, the pie is ready to be served. ■

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of Interiors Designers is involved in at least one showhouse each year; the Junior League alone is responsible for eleven across the country—and although it is one of the most difficult of projects to do, it is usually very rewarding. The Woman's Association of Morrisown (New Jersey) Memorial Hospital found it so. They raised $260,000 for the hospital with "A Mansion in May" at Giralda, once the home of Geraldine Rockefeller Dodge.

Showhouses are dream houses, castles in Spain, with a different designer for every chamber and turret, each happily indulging him/herself by creating a room for the best of all possible worlds. Showhouses are spun, like daydreams, in the most spectacular surroundings possible, and when they are ready, the doors are opened and everybody can come in, wander, gaze, muse—and go home with a very practical solution for that awkward little corner under the stairs. Showhouses, like all beautiful realities, are the result of very, very hard work, none of which should show.

Giralda was the second showhouse the Woman's Association had done. They are fast becoming experts, and they have found that the two cardinal rules for all fund-raising efforts—plan *way* ahead, and be fanatical about details—should be engraved in gold and mounted over the entrance to every showhouse. Do you want to do a showhouse? Here's the way it goes:

First, the search: "We began looking for a house in November of 1974," says Mrs. George F. Schmucki, general chairman of "A Mansion in May,"—a year-and-a-half before the showhouse was scheduled. Working through real-estate agents, she and her committee chosen in the fall after the first WAMMH showhouse, were on the lookout for something for sale or available, preferably unoccupied and not likely to be occupied quickly (perhaps, one whose owners would agree to postpone moving in), with an interior in which they could have reasonable freedom with enough in the way of grounds to allow parking, with atmosphere and appeal. Something, well, marvelous. They found a house and were proceeding when suddenly, in September 1975, they were told it was sold, probably because of the interest raised in it, and therefore not available. ("Lesson: keep the search quiet," says Mrs. Abbott M. Swift, chairman of the operations committee.)

The committee had investigated the possibility of the Dodge house before and had been turned down because it was full of Mrs. Dodge's things. But in the meantime the art auction firm of Sotheby Parke Bernet had held what they called "the sale of the century" there and now the house stood empty. The committee tried again, and was accepted. "It will be the showhouse of the century," they promised themselves. "It really is partly who you know," says Mrs. Schmucki. Mr. Dodge had been a trustee of Morristown Memorial; there were still friends there and at the Dodge foundation responsible for the house.

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for the opening night was planned at the same time. In monsoon weather, 600 came for a formal seated dinner. That raised $30,000. Cocktails on Tuesday and Thursday nights (making a month-long liquor license necessary) during the month the house was open were another special attraction. And then there were catered box lunches, served by husbands of WAMMH members, in the carpeted, rejuvenated carriage barn. Each event had a committee.

Printing: Perhaps the biggest single cost of a showhouse. The "Mansion in May" mailings were all designed and coordinated—and because the February party had been so successful, the printer was paid three days after he delivered the programs—promptness, he said, unequaled in his entire career. The programs, designed during the summer of 1975, cost more than $1 apiece to print; the first print order was 50,000. Ad sales for the program brought in $28,000. One warning from Mrs. Schmucki: The terrific enthusiasm a showhouse generates may cause a tendency to over-order. Be very level-headed.

Personnel: A mailing in March asked for volunteers to show the house, to oversee parking the cars, to help wherever help was needed. The mansion would need 300 people a day, many of whom would only work one day—perhaps 1,400 people a week, each of whom would need orientation. A local church offered its sanctuary for classes—"it looked like Easter Sunday"—while the local police managed the comings and goings of more cars than they were used to. Volunteers paid $5—the same price as the entrance ticket—and got a program and a free pass for a nonworking day. After working four times, they could ask for their original $5 back, but out of the thousands, less than a hundred did.

The grounds: The first WAMMH showhouse, Upton Pyne, was lavishly floral. Giralda, emerging from thickets of neglect and winter, became a collection of New Jersey shrubbery surrounding walled gardens and outlining vistas—a project that needed its own committee, too.

Finally, the opening: "Your first week is always slow," Mrs. Schmucki says. "It takes a while for people to hear about it, and make up their minds to come." So Giralda stayed open a full month, a week longer than most showhouses do. A professional cleaning crew came in every night. Things to watch out for? *Good* refrigeration for all the food. Well-trained hostesses. Alert information people. And then, if there are disasters, usually they are the results

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Once the house is decided upon, the lease terms must be drawn up, and it's a job for friendly lawyers. Who's responsible for what? What can be done inside? How must the house be returned? When can the showhouse committee go to work there? What are the dangers, the liabilities? In what condition is the wiring? The questions pyramid, and all should be down in black and white.

Next, the lists: "You *must* have a firm foundation," says Mrs. Schmucki. The work started in January, 1975. The lists cover possible committeepeople, possible patrons, possible contributors; they extend to newspapers, magazines, periodicals. There are lists of designers, lists of sources of materials, lists of people past and present who might be involved. There are 44,000 names on the select master list. And—because all of the lists had to be coordinated so that mailings would not duplicate or contradict one another—there were even lists of lists. It took the full time of a recording secretary and a communications committee chairman, Mrs. Peter T. Buchanan, who was also a member of the mailing and promotion committees.

And the committees: They were formed in January, 1975. "You have to have first-rate people, and we did," says Mrs. Schmucki. The steering committees they felt were necessary were: boutiques (the old carriage barn was to house fourteen boutiques and a lunchroom), communications, designers, finance, landscaping, mailing and telephone (a trained staff manned the phones during the showhouse itself), office, operations, personnel ("vital"), printing, program, promotion, sewing, and special events. The chairmen of these formed the executive committee which met once a week.

The designers: The Dodge house, an angular study in dreary brown, was still the Dodge house —and full of exciting possibilities. Designers were contacted by letter, and many more applied than there was room for. Each was invited by appointment for a tour of the house. "They're the stars, after all, and they should be treated like stars." Each submitted ideas. The committee made decisions and assigned rooms—and there was another round of written agreements among all the parties concerned.

The patrons' parties: "To begin with, you have to raise working capital. We had a buffet supper with a jazz band in February, called 'Dancin' in the Mansion,' for 525 people." A Patrons' Party

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of details skimped earlier.

In the end, after the check is handed, with fanfare, to the hospital, the feeling that remains is most important. "A showhouse is the most exciting thing it's possible for a woman to be involved with," says Mrs. Robert Scobey, chairman of the designer's committee. "I tried out all the beds," Mrs. Schmucki admits. Already WAMMH has been offered other houses for next year—and the Association, versatile fund-raisers, hasn't even decided whether there will be one. ■

Think informal

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the mix of people in these circumstances, where the individuals really ought to have something in common.)

In an informal bash, however, with little or no introductions, you may not know who anybody is or why you are there. You might leave without meeting the person you were supposed to meet, or without tasting the dish you were supposed to taste. Here the hostess's job is to communicate the message at her party in some way so the guests can respond properly and have a good time. (It is quite possible, in my experience, to go to a party knowing the people will be boring, but also knowing the food will be spectacular, and thus enjoy yourself hugely!) "The message of a party is in the emotions of the people," says Dr. Hall. "The ultimate test of all the hostess's hard work is, how is it affecting the people?"

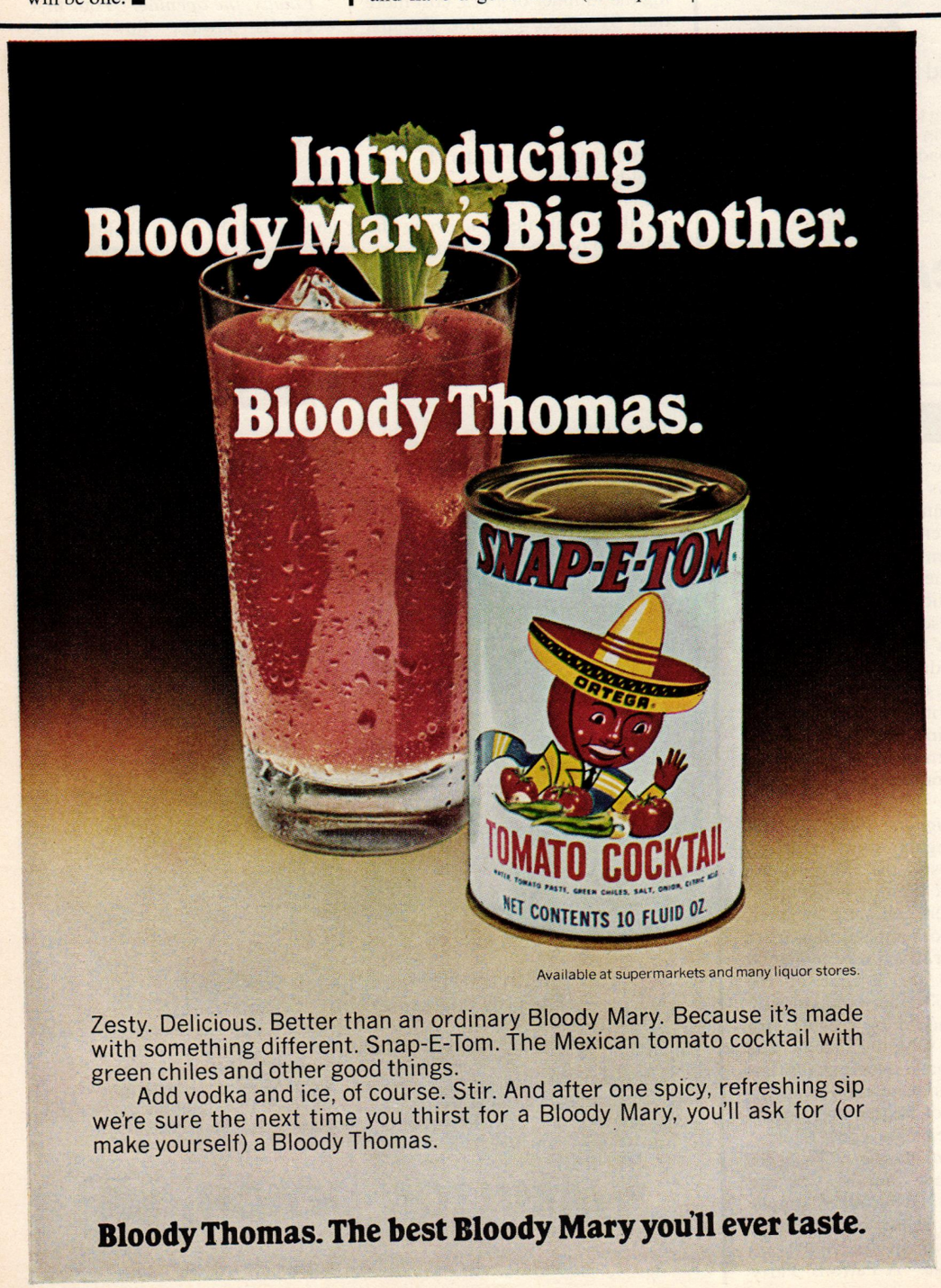
Of course hostesses usually know perfectly well why they are giving a party, but how often do they communicate it? If it is to introduce a special visitor, you can indicate that when you give out your invitations. Similarly, if the party is for your husband's boss or business associates. If it is for a friend's birthday, guests will be grateful to know this beforehand, so they can offer congratulations or a present. I was brought up to believe that it was rude to ask, "Who is going to be there?" when invited to a party. But I now think the question is legitimate, and a thoughtful hostess will give you some idea of the message before you arrive and before you have to ask.

At most parties today, where there is no formal structure to rely on, there is also the more subtle message of the hostess saying, "This is me, this is the way I live." Happy guests are those who feel comfortable in the presence of a hostess who is comfortable with herself. (There is nothing more off-putting than a nervous, apologizing hostess.) It's a new responsibility for informal party-givers—a new experience in self-knowledge, and in communicating that knowledge to others.

In other words, entertaining today can give you a new dimension of personal growth. Giving a successful party means coming to terms with yourself, with your social existence, with your relationship to the world around you. Going to such a party, you are exposing yourself to people you otherwise might not meet, in a situation where you can either "ice skate," enjoy light conversation with lots of people, or find a quiet corner and talk more intimately with people who interest you. You are testing yourself and them, and this experience can help you find out what sort of person you are. Even if you are bored, there's nothing wrong with that. You are simply discovering what kind of stimulus you need from—or must give to—other people.

"If you were advising a person about how to give a successful party now, in 1976," says Dr. Hall, "you would have to know a great deal about the person who wanted to give the party. Because the way you entertain should be an extension of the way you live—the way you *are*."

It's an exciting thought—and worth knowing about. We've developed quite a lot since we banged drums in the jungle. After all, as the English writer Nancy Mitford remarked, "Apart from the life of the intellect and the contemplative religious life, which few people are qualified to enjoy, what else is there to distinguish man from the animals but his social life?" Entertainment is about having fun, but it is also about human evolution. Whether as hostess or guest, at today's parties we are discovering new ways of communicating with and enjoying one another. ■



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Basket holding flowers: from a large collection at Jean-Jacques Bloos.

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"Texas" buffet dinner plate: 12" diam. $8.50.
"Faneuil" sterling silver dinner fork: $26. $89.25 per 5-piece place-setting. Both at Tiffany.

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"Tahiti Tile" coir floor covering: 20" squares, import from Switzerland.
"Pastorale on Broadside" cotton and linen fabric: on walls. 100" wide, 118" repeat. Coordinating solid "Broadside" fabric.
"Pastorale" sheer cotton and polyester fabric for curtains: 118" wide, 118" repeat. Imported from France.
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ROOMS THAT LIVE BIGGER
Page 140: *In the large photograph:*
Square tables: 23" sq. x 16" high, $415. 17" sq. x 16" high, $335. Bleached oak, smoked glass top. Designed by Billy Baldwin. From LCS.*
Indoor-outdoor pine planters: clear satin lacquer finish. 25" and 15" cubes. Design, Harry Bates, Dale Booher. Dekorum Collection for Philip Daniel.*
In lower left photograph:
Armless chairs with woven straw shells: 26" wide. $600 COM each. Matching ottoman, 26" wide. $350 COM. Both designed by Billy Baldwin. From LCS.*
"Palermo" cotton fabric: on banquette, 48" wide. $10 a yd. From Albrizzi Ltd. London.*
"Parris Valley" painting: over banquette, acrylic and oil on canvas (1976). By Maryann Harman. Lent through the courtesy of André Emmerich Gallery.
Large woven baskets with covers: of rattan core and peel. From Wicker Wicker Wicker. Large, $480. Small, $180. From LCS.*
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"La Barca" sectional group: solid ash frame tables, seating units, and beds, with or without arms. Loose seat and back cushions available in a variety of fabrics. Shown: left arm seating unit—back and left arm are same level, may be used as tables; right arm is flush with seat, may also be used as table. Designed by Piero Di Martini. From Atelier International.*
Cocktail table: by fireplace.
Openweave basket holding ficus tree: from a large collection. Both from LCS.*
Handcarved wooden swans: 15" x 10" x 9" high. $295 each. At John Rosselli.*

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Breuer lounge chair: 25½" x 31½" x 32½" high, chromium-plated steel tubing, wicker seat and back, natural beech arm rests. From ICF.*
Antique rugs: Kilim shown beneath glass table, 9'7" x 7'9", $5800. Striped and starred cotton dhurrie rug, 17'4" x 11'5", $4400. Both from Coury Rugs.*

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"Torino" cotton fabric: on bed, 48" wide. $10 a yd. From Albrizzi Ltd. London.*
Page 142: *In top right photograph:*
"Bindo" three-position sofa: upholstered in gray suede. $3130. From The Tecno Collection. From Atelier International.*

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In the bedroom designed by Albert Etienne Pensis of W & J Sloane:
All furnishings: At W&J Sloane.
Fabric, wallpaper: By Carleton V.*
Sectional sofa: by Flair.
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In the gazebo entrance designed by Mary Pearson How:
Lantern: by Nesle.
Carpet: by Saxony.*
Birdcage: from Stanley Jay Friedman.
Console table: by Barrett Hill.
Upholstery: by Stessl & Neugebauer.
All fabrics: by Brunschwig & Fils.*
Canvas on ceiling and walls: by WestPoint Pepperell.
Plant design: by Mother Earth of Basking Ridge.
Finches: from Madison Pet Shop.
In the solarium designed by Barbara Ostrum:
Ceiling canvas: designed and painted by Michael A. Murdolo.
Wicker sofa and chairs: at Walters Wicker Wonderland.*
18th-century French chairs and round basket on wall: from Greenbaum Brothers.
"Kumo" sheeting fabric: Martex.
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White coffee table: by Joseph Lombardo.
Planting baskets: from Up Country

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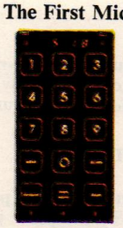

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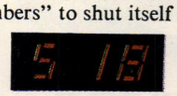

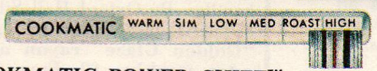

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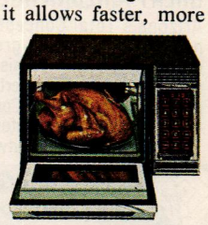

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Imports.
Plants: from Mother Earth of Basking Ridge.
Antique armoire: from La Provence de Pierre Deux.
In the library-bedroom designed by Chuck Winslow:
Art and sculpture: On left wall—"Charles Street" acrylic painting by Steven Mueller. Between bookcases—17th-century Tantric diagrams. On desk—bronze sculpture of a reclining nude by Gerald Lang. Over fireplace: "Two by Two" acrylic painting by Steven Mueller. All from J. H. Duffy & Sons.
All fabrics: by Cenci.*
Dhurrie rug: by Harmony Carpet.*
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In the sunporch living and dining room designed by Chuck Winslow:
Wicker furniture: by Wickerworks.
"Sunrise" fabric: by Cenci.*
Hammock: by Pawley's Island Hammock.
Plants: from Renny.
In the bathroom designed by Chuck Winslow:
Wallpaper: by Cenci.*
Dhurrie rug: by Harmony Carpet.*
In the studio designed by Edwin Cossitt, Judy Thaler, and Joel Lauden:
Contemporary furniture: by Knoll International.*
Wallhangings: by Avanti.
In the sitting room designed by Robert Perkins:
Wallpaper: by Fonthill Wallpapers.*
Carpet: by Stark.*
Louis XV console table: from Rose Cumming.*
Ming vase: from H.J. Kratzer.
In the bedroom designed by Sybil Connolly:
Fabric and wallpaper: by Sybil Connolly.*
In the bathroom designed by Jeanne T. O'Mara:
Wallpaper: by Margowen.*
Chandelier: by Joseph Richter.
Painted details on tub, sink, and floor: designed and painted by Debbie Seymour.

GIVING
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"Summit" double-on-the-rocks glass: about 4¾ inches high. By Lenox Crystal. $30 the set of four. At Marshall Field.

GIFTS FOR THE TABLE
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"Gourmet" oven-to-table plate: 10½" diam. $11. $45 per 5-piece placesetting. By Wedgwood. At Bloomingdale's.
"Cavalier Clear" glass: 10-ounce, 5" high. By J. G. Durand. $1. At West Town House.
"Old Winchester" stainless steel knife and fork: walnut brown melamine handles. Also white or yellow handles. By Oxford Hall Silversmiths. $50 per 24-piece set. At I. Magnin.
"Golden Glaze" rayon and polyester napkin: $2. From The Vera Verve Collection, as are all subsequent solid-colored napkins. This and all napkins below, including printed cotton ones, are 17" square, permanent press, and by Vera. All napkins at Lord & Taylor.
"Montserrat" bone china dinner plate: 10½" diam. $27. $79.95 per 5-piece placesetting. By Royal Worcester.
"Clifton Park" iced-tea glass: 6½" tall. $24.50. By Stuart Crystal for Royal Worcester.
"King's" vermeil knife and fork: knife, $18.50; fork, $15.50. By Royal Worcester. All three at The Modern Shop of Douglas Lorie.
"Willow" rayon and polyester napkin: shown in white. $2.
Plain glass dinner plate: 10½" diam. $9.
"Georgian" tumbler: 12-ounce, 5" high. $3.50. Both by Viking Glass, at Carole Stupell.
"Jefferson" pewter knife and fork: stainless steel blade, tine. knife, $7. fork, $9. $33 per 4-piece placesetting. By Lunt Silversmiths. At Woodward & Lothrop.
"Iris" cotton napkin: shown in blue. $1.60.
"Fairmeadows" china dinner plate: 10½" diam. $14.80. $55.50 per 5-piece placesetting. By Gorham.
"Octette Blue" handblown crystal iced tea glass: 7" tall. $8.50. By Gorham.
"Old English Tipt" sterling silver knife and fork: knife, $24.50. fork, $53. $149.75 per 4-piece placesetting. By Gorham. All three at B. Altman & Co.
"Periwinkle" rayon and polyester napkin: $2.
"Lilactime" bone china dinner plate: 10½" diam. $14. $42 per 5-piece placesetting. By Royal Doulton. At Macy's.
"Vanborough" full leaded crystal iced tea glass: 7" high. $18.50. By Royal Doulton. At B. Altman & Co.
"Patrician" silverplated knife and fork: knife, $9. fork, $5.50. $29 per 5-piece placesetting. By Oneida Silversmiths. The Hecht Co.
"Poppies" cotton napkin: $1.60.
"Yorktowne Pewter" dinner plate: 10½" in diameter. $17. By The Pfaltzgraff Co. At Gilmore's.
"Argus" glass tumbler: 5½" high. Shown in clear, $8.50. By Fostoria Glass. At Carole Stupell.
"Spectro" stainless steel and acrylic knife and fork: $12.50 per 5-piece placesetting. By Supreme Cutlery for Sigma Marketing. At Hammacher Schlemmer.
"Butterfly Blue" rayon and polyester napkin: $2.
"Desert Rose" earthenware dinner plate: 10½" diam. $5.95. $20.40 per 5-piece placesetting. By Franciscan Dinnerware. At B. Altman & Co.
"Madeira" crystal tumbler: 6" high. $5. By Franciscan. At Carole Stupell.
"Carrollton" sterling silver knife and fork: knife, $34. fork, $42.50. $168.25 per 5-piece placesetting. By Stieff. At B. Altman & Co.
"Peach" rayon and polyester napkin: $2.
"Kilta" earthenware dinner plate: 10½" diam. $5. $15 per 5-piece placesetting. By Arabia. At Georg Jensen.
"Contact" glass tumbler: 5" high. $23 per set of 4. By Arabia. At Seabon.
"Old Annapolis" pewter knife and fork: with stainless steel blade, tines. knife, $7.75. fork, $7.75. $38.75 per 5-piece placesetting. By Samuel Kirk & Son. At Woodward & Lothrop.
"Grey" rayon and polyester napkin: $2.
"Eden" glass plate: 10½" diam. $13.
"Eden" glass tumbler: 4" high. $8.50. Both by Orrefors and at Macy's.
"Aegean Weave" sterling silver dinner knife and fork: knife, $39.50. fork, $64.50. $173.50 per 4-piece placesetting. By Wallace Silversmiths. At B. Altman & Co.
"Daisy Spray" cotton napkin: $1.60.
"Cathay" porcelain cake plate: 12" diam. $48.50; $79.95 per 5-piece dinner placesetting. By Haviland. At Cardel.
16-ounce crystal highball: 4½" high. $58. By Steuben Glass. At Steuben.
"Wild Flower" 24K-gold-plated stainless steel knife and fork: $30 per 5-piece placesetting. Also in plain stainless steel. By Supreme Cutlery for Sigma Marketing. At Carole Stupell.
"Terracotta" rayon and polyester napkin: $2.
"Langeais" porcelain dinner plate: 10½" diam. $28. $84 per 5-piece placesetting. By Towle Royal Limoges.
"Latimer" handcut crystal high-

ball: 5″ high. $13. By Towle Tudor Crystal. Both at Cartier.
"Carpenter Hall" sterling silver knife and fork: knife, $40. fork, $45. $195 per 5-piece placesetting. By Towle Sterling. At B. Altman & Co.
"Sapphire" rayon and polyester napkin: $2.
"Rapture" china dinner plate: 10½″ diam. $10.40. $39 per 5-piece placesetting. By Lenox China. At Macy's.
"Antique" crystal double-on-the-rocks glass: 4½″ high. Shown in clear. $4.50. $18 per set of 4. By Lenox Crystal. At Marshall Field.
"1810" sterling silver knife and fork: knife, $37.25. fork, $41.50. $107.75 per 3-piece placesetting. By International Silver. At Marshall Field.
"Natural" rayon and polyester napkin: $2.
"Daffodil" porcelain china dinner plate: 10″ diam. $10. $27.50 per 5-piece placesetting. By Villeroy & Boch.
"Rusticana" old-fashioned glass: 4″ high. $6. Also comes in cobalt, yellow, brown, lavender. By I.V.V.
"Lord Nelson" nickel and bronze knife and fork: with rosewood handles. knife, $9.50. fork, $5. $25 per 5-piece placesetting. By Fürst. All three imported by Ceramar, at Mayhew.
"Green Grape" rayon and polyester napkin: $2.
"Tobi Celadon" oven-to-table dinner plate: 10½″ diam. $6.75. $20 per 5-piece placesetting. Imported from Japan. By Block China. At B. Altman & Co.
"Hearthstone" glass water goblet: 5″ high. $5. By Block China. At I. Magnin.
"New Bronze Age" bronze knife and fork: hand cast and hand burnished. $24.95 ppd. 5-piece placesetting. By mail from the importers, Merchantmen USA.
"White Cloud" rayon and polyester napkin: $2.
"Famille Rose" bone china dinner plate: 10″ diam. $12.25. $41 per 5-piece placesetting. By Aynsley English Bone China.
"Rosslare" crystal tumbler: 12 oz., 6″ high. $16. By Waterford Crystal. Both at B. Altman & Co.
"Old Virginia" sterling silver dinner knife and fork: knife, $36. fork, $53. $190 per 5-piece placesetting. By Reed & Barton, Silversmiths. At The Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company.
"Geranium" cotton napkin: $1.60.

POSTERS
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"Apples" poster reproduction of a Cézanne: 46″ x 61½″. $250 mounted. $375 framed. From Poster Originals.
Poster by Folon: 22″ x 30″. $40 unmounted. $65 framed. From Poster Place.
"Eraser" poster: by Claes Oldenburg. 24½″ x 32½″. $25 unmounted. $45 mounted. $75 framed. From Poster Originals.
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"Pre-Columbian Ladies" poster: from a series of color-in posters. 23″ x 35″. $1.85 ($2.85 ppd.) From The American Museum of Natural History.
Poster by Hans Hofmann: for 1973 show. 24″ x 30″. $15 unmounted. $40 mounted. $60 framed.
Portrait on a graph poster: by John Graham. 22″ x 27¾″. $30 unmounted. $60 mounted. $75 framed. From Poster Originals.
Poster for a Max Ernst retrospective exhibition: 22″ x 33″. $3.50 unmounted. From The Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum.
"Raspberries" photograph: by Murray Alcosser. 16″ x 20″. $250 unframed. From the Witkin Gallery.
"Lonely Metropolitan" photomontage: by Herbert Bayer. 11″ x 13⅞″. Signed and numbered edition of 40. $800 unframed. From Marlborough Photography Gallery.
"Reflections" poster: by André Brasilier. 20″ x 31″. $25 unmounted. $45 mounted. $70 framed. From Poster Originals.
"Equus" poster: 4′ x 5′. $15 unmounted. $70 mounted. From Triton Gallery.
"Milano 70/70" poster: 38½″ x 55″. $100 mounted. $130 framed. From Poster Originals.
"Taxi" poster: 23½″ x 30″. $2.50 unmounted. From The Museum of Modern Art.
Photographs: by David Plowden. 9¼″ x 11″ each. Signed. $175 each mounted on archival rag board. $1500 for portfolio of 10 different prints. From International Center of Photography.
Poster: by Marquet. 16″ x 24″. $15 unmounted. $30 mounted. $45 framed.
"Culinary Herbs": from a series of British Museum botanical posters. 24″ x 31½″. $10 unmounted. $35 mounted. $55 framed.
Poster by Ellsworth Kelly: for a Walker Art Center show. 24″ x 37″. $15 unmounted. $35 mounted. $55 framed. All from Poster Originals.
"Pea Pod" photograph: by Murray Alcosser. 16″ x 20″. $250 unframed. From The Witkin Gallery.

WINE & FOOD
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"Domino" porcelain dinner plate: 10″ diam. $16.50. $49.50 per 5-piece placeseting. By Royal Copenhagen.
"Stub" handblown glass goblet: 5½″ high. $8.50. By Holmegaard of Copenhagen.
"Amalie" sterling silver knife and fork: with enameled stainless steel handles. knife, $21. fork, $37.50. $155 per 5-piece placesetting. By Royal Copenhagen. All three at Royal Copenhagen.
"Pink" rayon and polyester napkin: 17″ sq., permanent press. $2. From The Vera Verve Collection by Vera. At Lord & Taylor.
"Boda Grape" crystal plate: 10″ to 12″ diam. $22.50. By Kosta Boda USA. At Bloomingdale's.
"Boda Grape" crystal beer glass: 6″ high. $24 per set of 2. By Kosta Boda USA. At Seabon.
"Boda Nova" stainless steel knife and fork: with stoneware handles. $40 per 3-piece placesetting. Also available in dark brown. By Kosta Boda USA. At Domus.
"Tulips and Hyacinths" cotton napkin: 17″ sq., permanent press. $1.60. By Vera. At Lord & Taylor.

House & Garden goes to stores across the country

The following stores will hold special House & Garden events this month. Seminar themes will include new trends in color, decorating, entertaining, and remodeling. In some cases, a fee will be charged and attendance may be limited, so check the stores below for ticket information. Future issues will list special events scheduled for the fall and winter in the hundreds of fine department and specialty stores across the U.S.

November 10, 11, 12
New York, N.Y.
This fall Lord & Taylor is celebrating its 150th anniversary and November is entertaining at home month, featuring Waterford. Special displays, the award-winning film *Conquest of Light*, representatives from House & Garden, and this famous Irish crystal company in the store all three days.
Waterford Gallery, 9th floor, New York store only.

November 13
Jacksonville, Fla.
May Cohens, Jacksonville, and Heublein will present a Home for the Holidays" evening: gourmet cooking demonstrations, model rooms decorated for creative entertaining, food, and music—all to benefit the Jacksonville Symphony Association. Reservations limited.
Call the Symphony office for tickets, 904-358-1479.

November 15
Washington, D.C.
Hecht's presents "Home for the Holidays": Tysons Corner opens Waterford Week with an afternoon House & Garden slide presentation on holiday entertaining ideas. In the store will be special Waterford displays, a film short, and Waterford representatives. Montgomery Mall presents a gala evening featuring rooms to entertain in and displays with party and menu ideas by Heublein, food, music, part of the festivities.
For additional information on both events, contact Joan Cole, Publicity Director, 202-628-5100.

November 17
Tulsa, Okla.
New store with a new concept: W.H.S. Lloyd's Ideas for Living. This complete home-decorating center will present a seminar, "Letting Go with Color," conducted by a House & Garden editor and offering suggestions on how color can change your home through wallcoverings, fabrics, and paint.
For reservations: Robin Lister, 918-437-5681.

November 18
Youngstown, Ohio
Strouss, Youngstown and Heublein celebrate "Home for the Holiings" in a storewide home furnishings and fashion evening. Model rooms and tables set for entertaining, expert food and drink suggestions, and the fashions to wear.
Downtown, 7 to 9 P.M.

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WEST TOWN HOUSE, 260 W. 86th St., New York, N.Y. 10024
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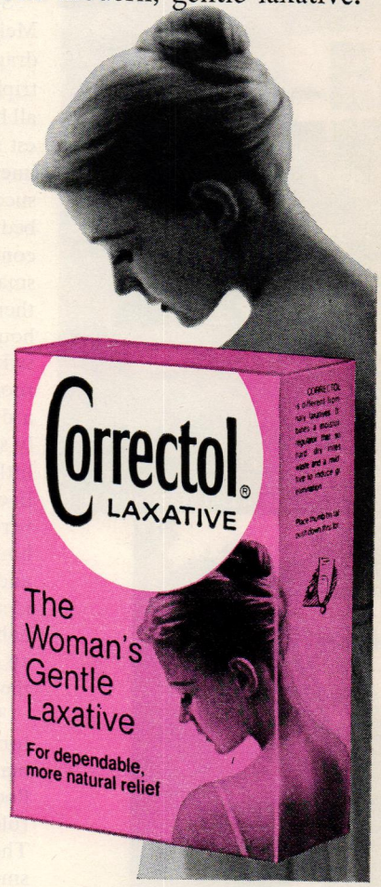

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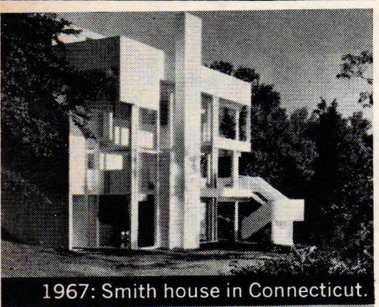
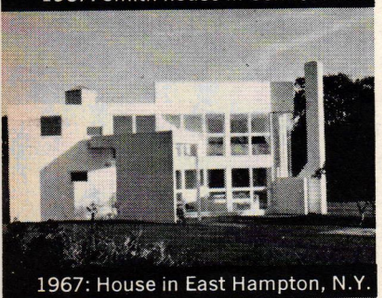
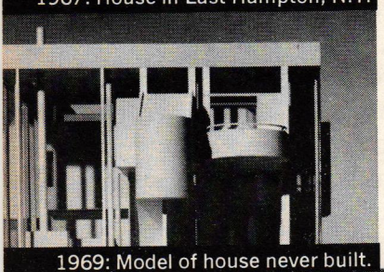
A chronology of Richard Meier's houses



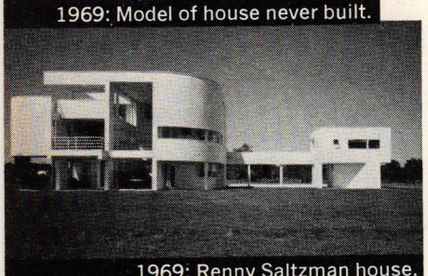
1967: Smith house in Connecticut.



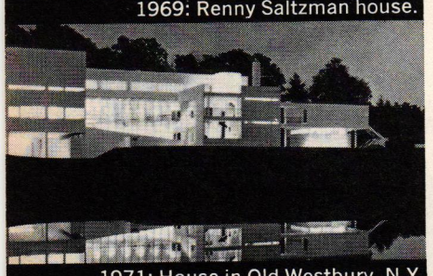
1967: House in East Hampton, N.Y.



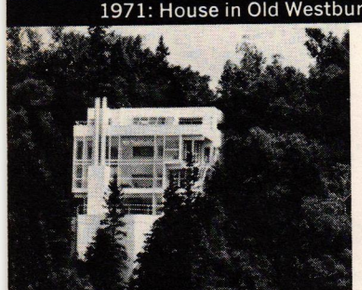
1969: Model of house never built.



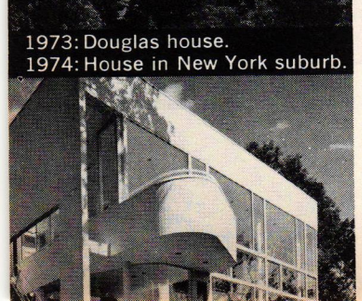
1969: Renny Saltzman house.



1971: House in Old Westbury, N.Y.



1973: Douglas house.
1974: House in New York suburb.



late 1930s and early 40s, houses which were products of the unlikely combination of the avant-garde esthetics of the Bauhaus (Gropius had previously been director of that German school, and Breuer is a teacher there) with the traditional building methods of New England. This influence is no accident, of course; Meier once served as a young apprentice in Breuer's office.

Meier is no mere copyist. His houses also show original and rare talent for arranging door and window openings into superb asymmetrically balanced planar compositions (essentially, a painter's talent), for creating highly pleasing three-dimensional forms (a sculptor's talent), and for carving out spectacular interior volumes (the essence of architecture).

Despite the wholeness of each particular Meier design—a section from his house in East Hampton, for example, is by no means interchangeable with a section from his house in Connecticut—there still are characteristics which all the houses share.

First, one of the characteristics deriving from Le Corbusier's early buildings (and his paintings, as well): a special vocabulary of shapes, including freely curved subsidiary elements within the more rigid rectangular frames of the houses' structures.

Second, and very personal with Meier, is a flair for the creation of dramatic double-height and even triple-height living areas. In almost all his houses, including those of modest size, the important rooms open to unexpected volumes and views in a succession of heads-up surprises. The bedrooms and other private areas, by contrast, are likely to be simple and small—for some tastes, too small. If there is any flaw in the way these houses work, in fact, it arises from this strict division into important public rooms and unimportant private ones, a division which may also be intellectually satisfying, but which may also be a little too pat for the way some of us live. One owner, although in general very enthusiastic about her Meier house, says, "It lacks private rooms and private spaces. It is absolutely ideal for two people, but a third inhabitant, because of the openness, is an intrusion on the natural lifestyle of the house."

Third, Meier houses are white. But for a few interior walls of bright primary color and for some natural wood flooring, there is no exception to this rule; they are white, white, white. They are also smooth, smooth, smooth. This discarding of color and texture is not a negative act; it has a delightful, liberating effect. Trees never before looked as green, the sky never as blue as when viewed from the sparkling purity of an almost-all-white Meier interior. At night, one owner says, the expanses of white and the large glass areas have a special effect: "You really become part of the sky, and seem to travel away with the moving airplanes."

Lack of color and texture are also positive expressions of faith in one of the earliest and most fundamental beliefs of modern architecture: the belief that a miraculous new building material—slick, weathertight, jointless, and perfect—was just around the corner, and that architecture should be designed with that vision in mind. Alas, half a century after the first smooth, white, modern buildings were designed (stripped, of course, of the pilasters and moldings that once had covered the joints of traditional construction), the new material is *still* around the corner. Stucco and wood, all these years, have had to substitute, and the vast, unbroken, flat surfaces appropriate for the not-quite-discovered miracle unfortunately present some quite old-fashioned problems of

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waterproofing and maintenance when applied to those conventional materials. In a forthcoming book on what he sees as the fallacies of modern design, architect-critic Peter Blake has this to say of such "machine look" buildings: "Their razor-edged panels, their pure cubes, their shining slabs of glass, all proclaimed the advent of a new world of industrialization, a new world in which the immensely rational machine would replace the absurdly unpredictable sleight of hand. And, if that article of faith crumbles, and that root of the Modern Movement is cut off," Blake concludes, "then all else may fail." Whatever the potential failures of modern architecture as a whole, of course, few question that it has produced some buildings that history will respect as being of lasting interest, and it seems likely that some of Meier's houses will be among them.

Not all the characteristics of Meier's houses have been constant. In the two most recent of the houses shown on page 168 to 171—a large house on Lake Michigan, a small one in a wooded New York suburb—there is a development not seen in the earlier houses, a poetic freedom with form (in the New York house, for example, the stairway which sinuously snakes its way around a structural steel column, or a playful abstract relief above the fireplace). Meier attributes this new lyricism to a recent year spent in Italy as Architect-in-Residence of the American Academy. "That's what happens when you go to Rome," he says. Obviously, more architects should go there.

Meier's houses are not for everyone; like all houses, they have limitations. Their façades and spaces are designed with much more concern for composition than for such relatively mundane considerations as sun control, glare, heat loss, or how on earth the windows are cleaned. (The house in New York, surrounded by deciduous trees, happens to work perfectly well—except for an occasional spot a bit too warm, it is flooded with sun in winter and nicely shaded in summer—but one must wonder about the great expanses of exposed glass facing the lake in the Michigan house.)

Functional considerations are by no means disregarded by Meier, of course; he is too thorough and too professional an architect for that. Each house is tailored to fit its site and, to a large extent, its owners' particular requirements. Meier, in fact, likes to help choose even the specific furnishings for his buildings, and if nothing on the market seems to be suitable, he delights in designing a new piece of furniture and having it built. Even grading and planting details are subject to his study.

Even if there are minor lapses by Meier into less than absolute practicality, the people who own his houses couldn't like them more. Except in the case of one house in Old Westbury, L. I., the original owners still use all the houses shown here, and their praise is impressive. "I never get tired of the interior spaces," says the owner of a house in Darien, Conn. "We love the uncluttered feeling, the ease of upkeep, and the adaptability," say the Michigan owners. And, from a Meier client in Westchester County, N.Y., the most often repeated—and most important—comment of all: "The house is indeed beautiful."

This architect's future designs will be well worth watching. Meier's talent is proven, his imagination is inventive, and his future development is promising not only of striking environments for his own clients, but also of a body of fresh ideas—about surfaces, forms, views, space, and light—about clarity, lyricism, and beauty—that can enrich the way all of us see our environments. *NOTE: Oxford Press just published* Richard Meier *by Richard Meier.* ■

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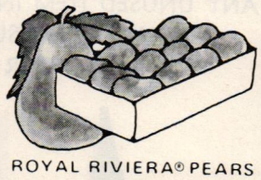

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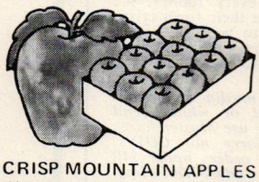

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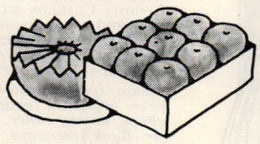

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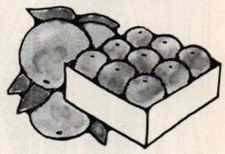

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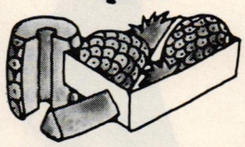

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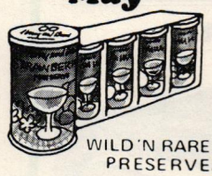

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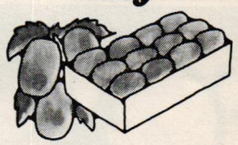

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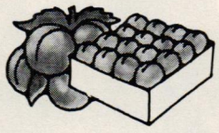

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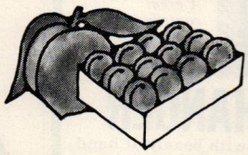

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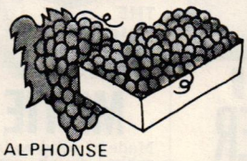

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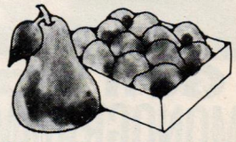

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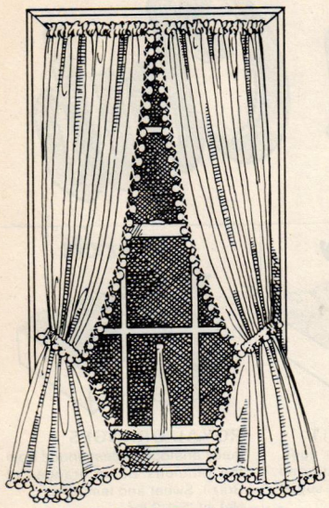

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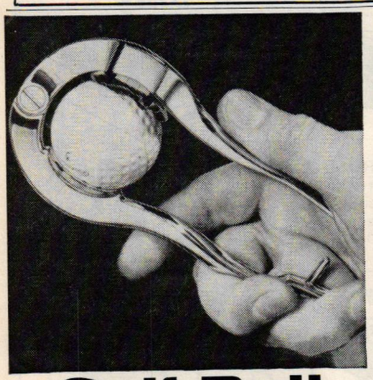

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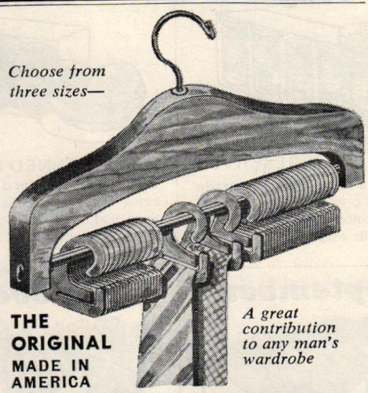

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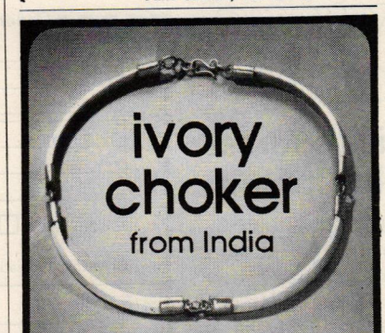

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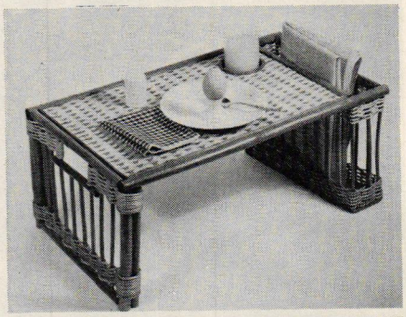

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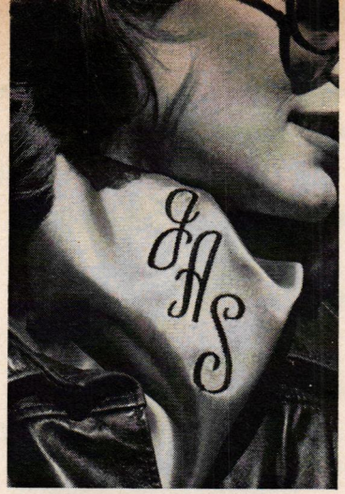

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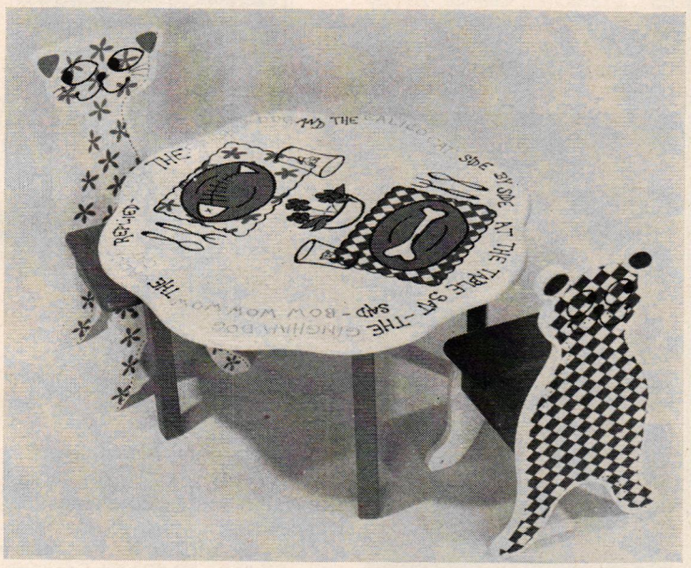

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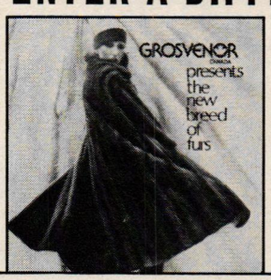

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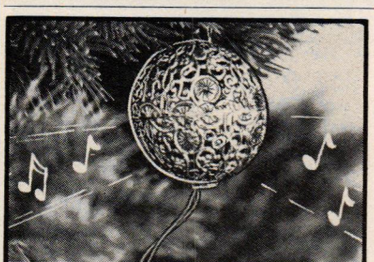

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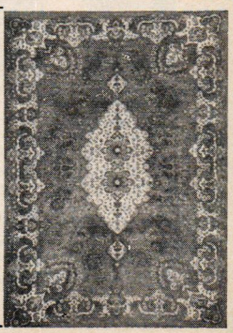

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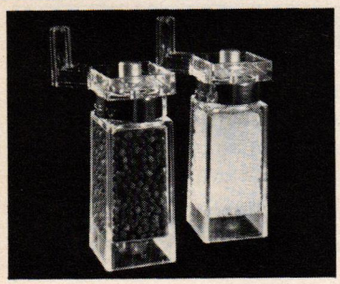

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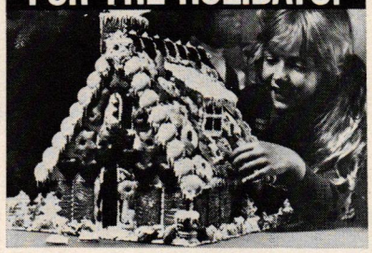

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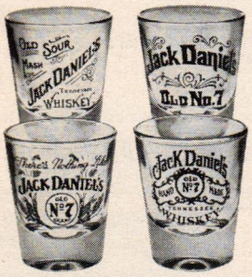

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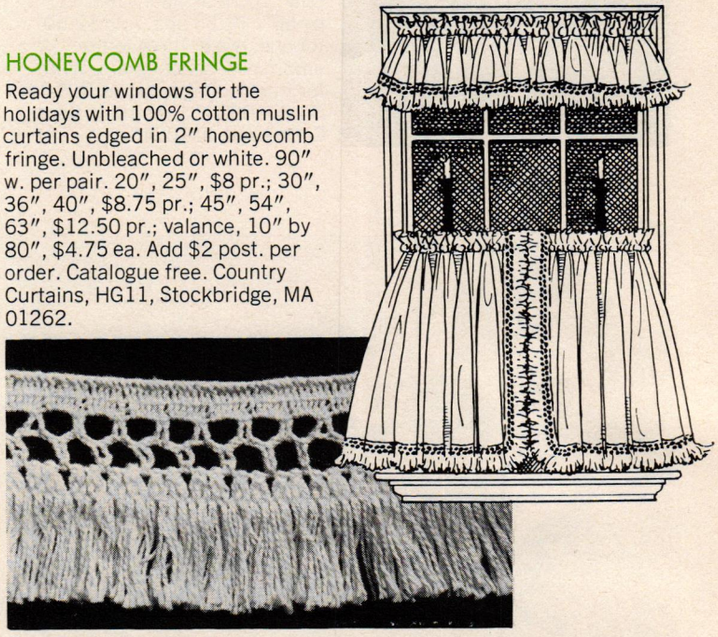

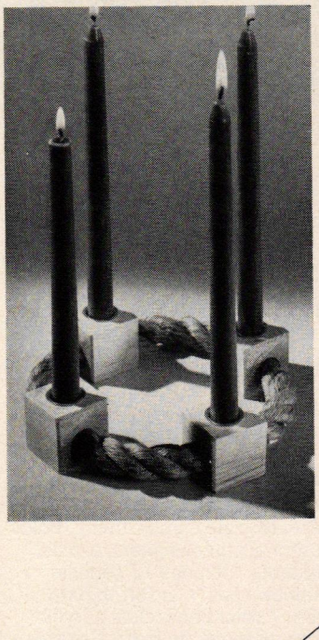

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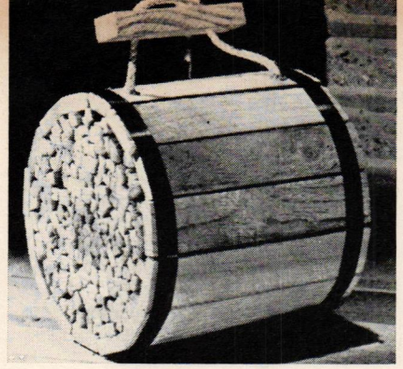

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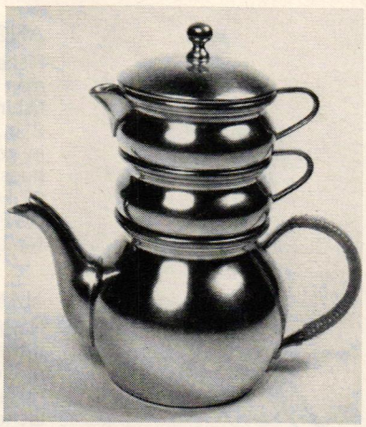

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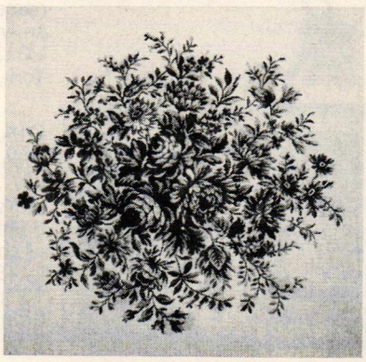

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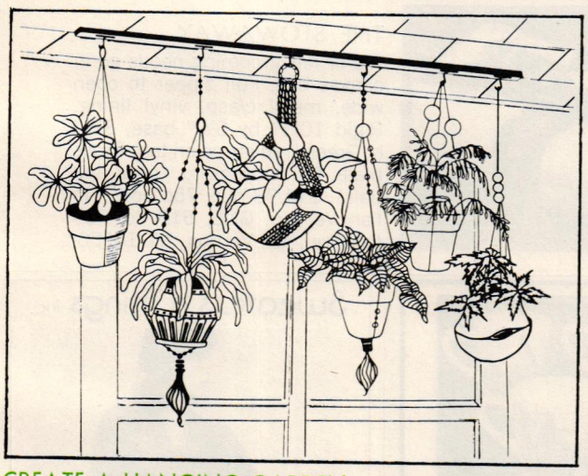

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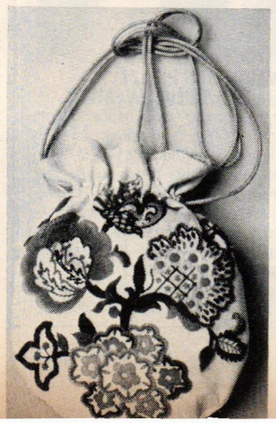

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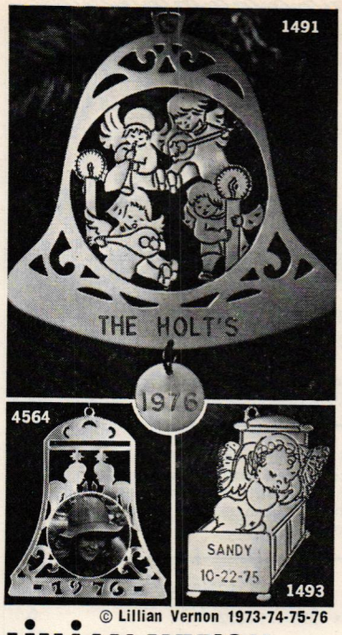

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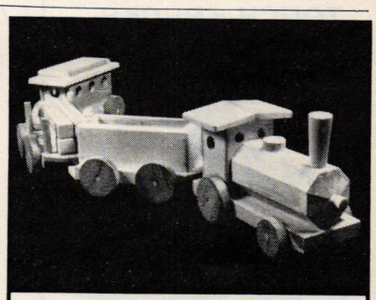

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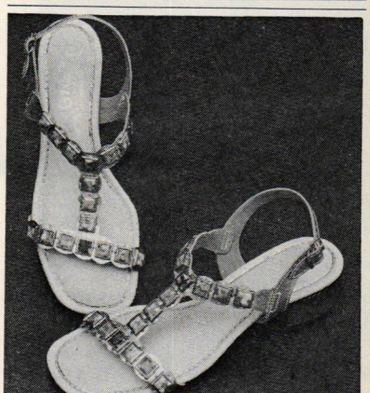

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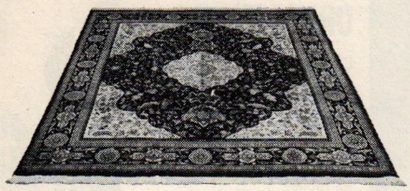

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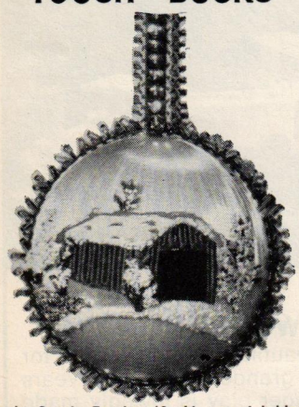

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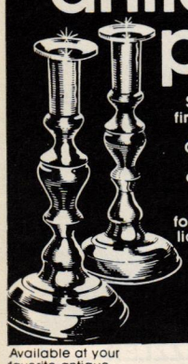

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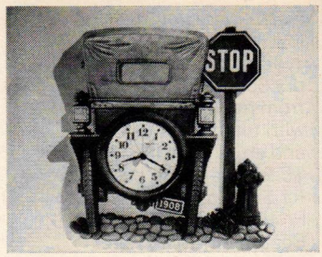

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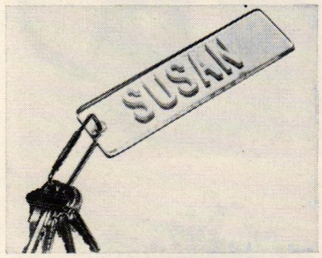

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Dr. Frank theorized that as people get older, these programs become faulty. The DNA "forgets" some part of the program, or the RNA "forgets" to give the cell the complete instructions. As a result, your new skin cells aren't quite as good as your old cells. The skin loses its resiliency and wrinkles develop. Your muscles lose some of their capability and grow less strong. Your heart, your lungs, even your brain, start to be made up of new cells which haven't the perfection your cells had when you were young. *So, that's how human life has always been, you say. What can you do about it?*

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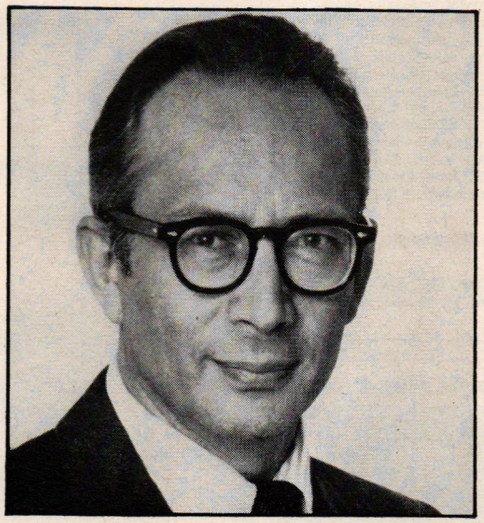

Dr. Benjamin S. Frank, a physician engaged in private practice in New York, is the author of such professional books as *A New Approach to Degenerative Disease and Aging*, and *Nucleic Acid Therapy in Aging and Degenerative Disease*. This is his first book detailing his work for the layman, written with Philip Meile, Professor of Communication Arts, New York Institute of Technology.

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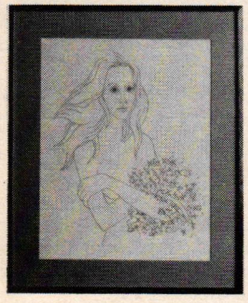

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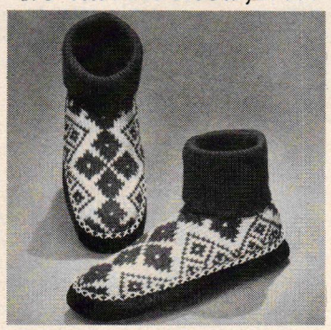

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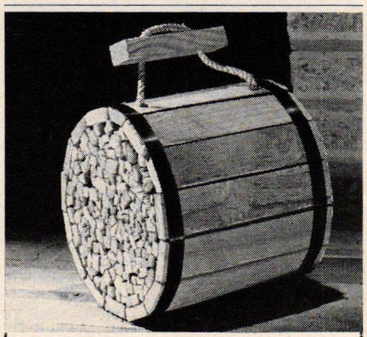

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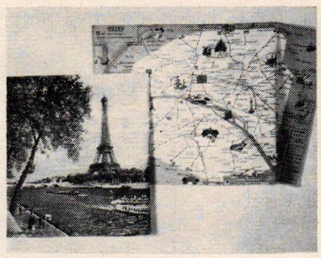

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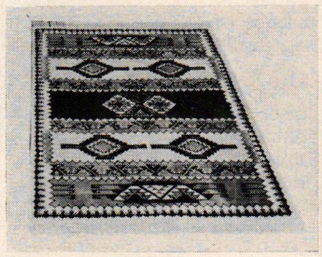

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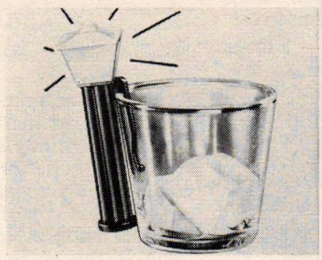

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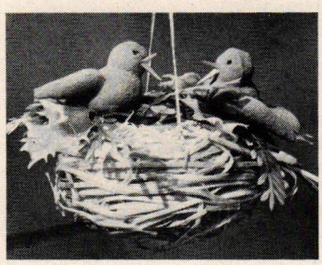

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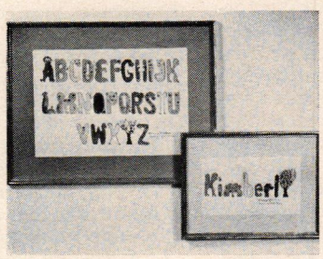

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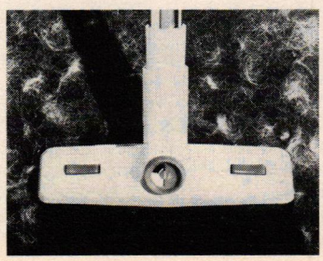

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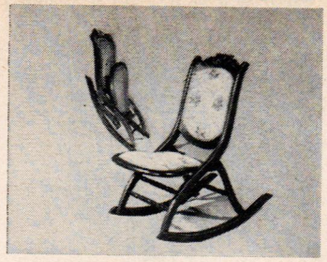

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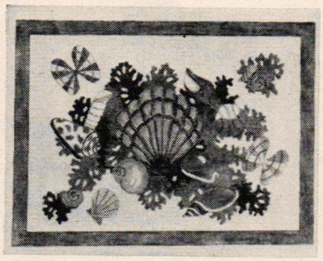

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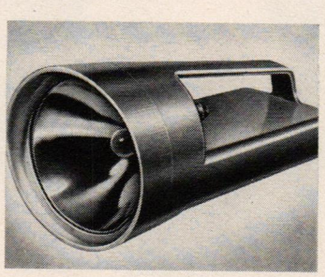

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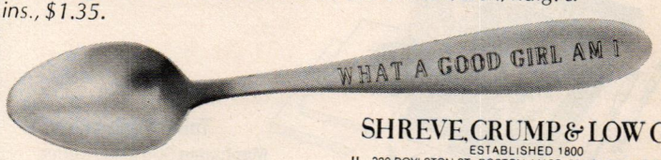

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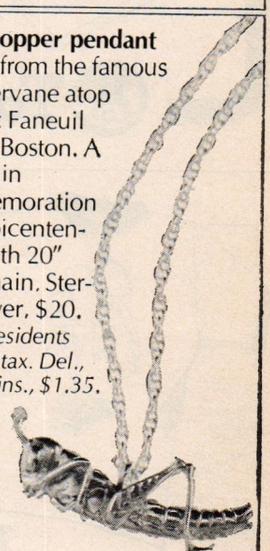

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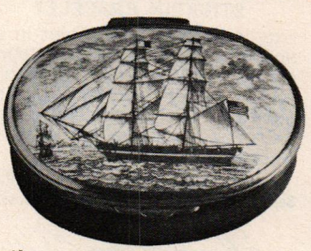

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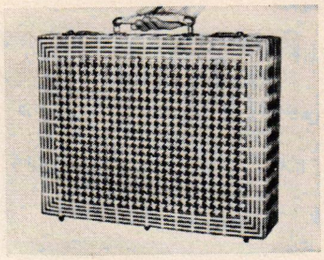

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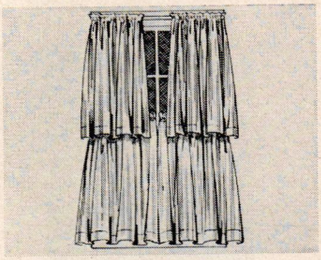

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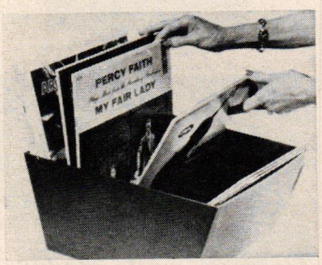

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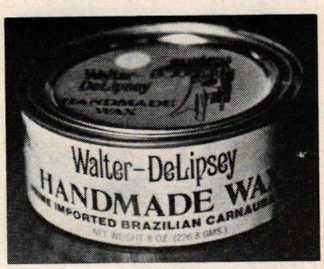

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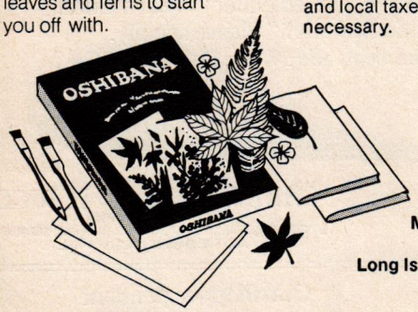

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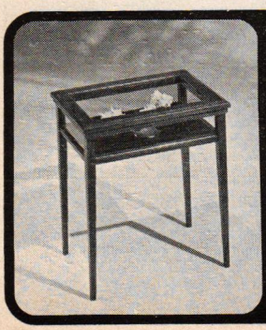

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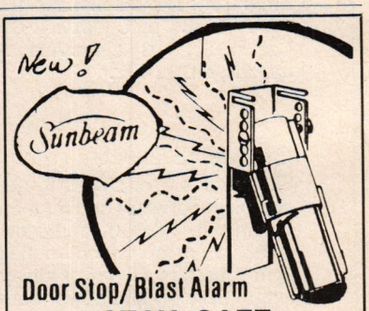

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MARVELOUS GIFT IDEA from Plantron, Inc.

House-Plant-a-Month Plan

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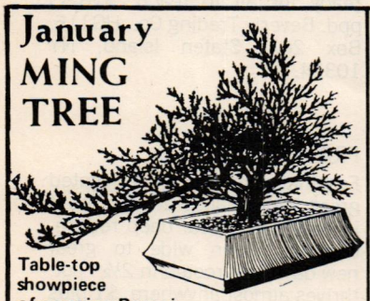
MING TREE



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September
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October
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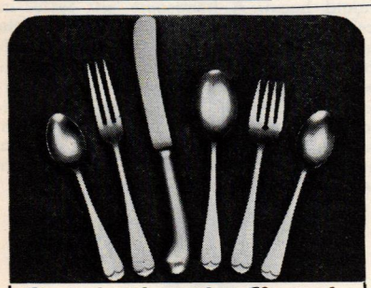

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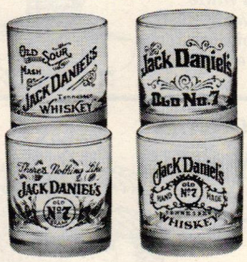

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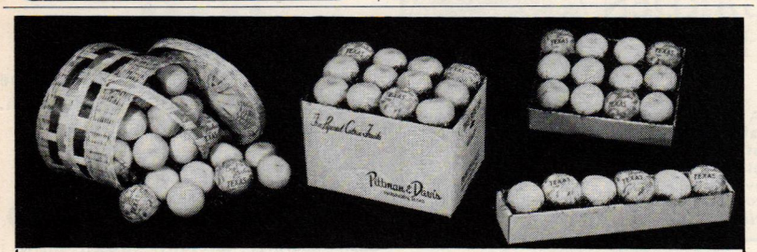

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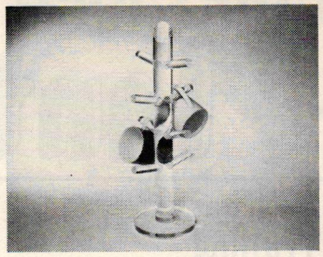

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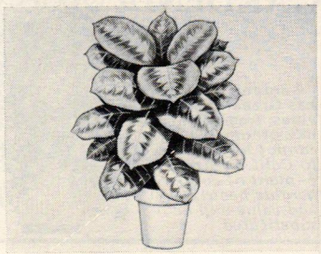

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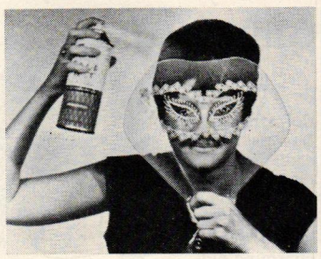

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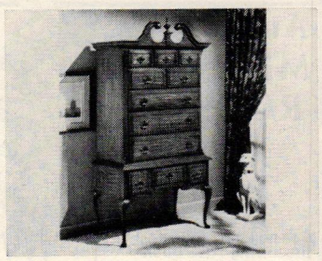

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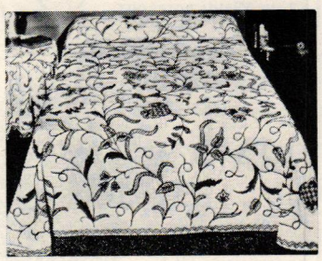

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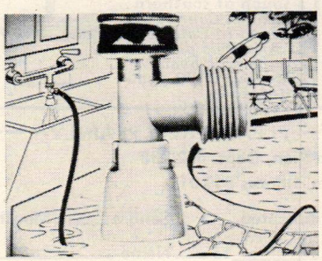

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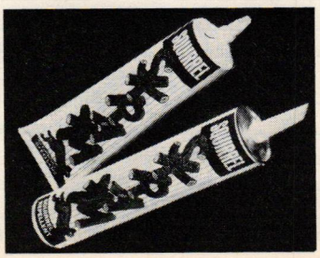

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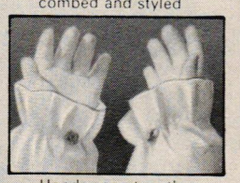

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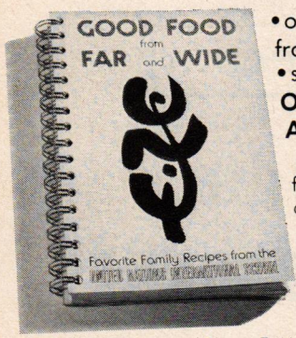

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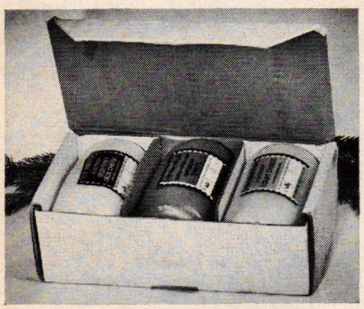

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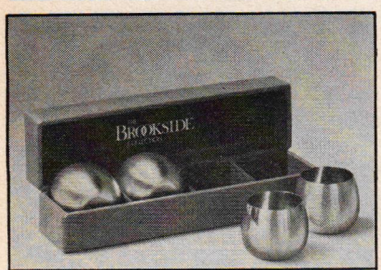

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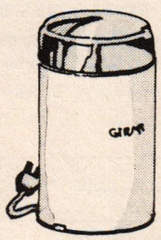

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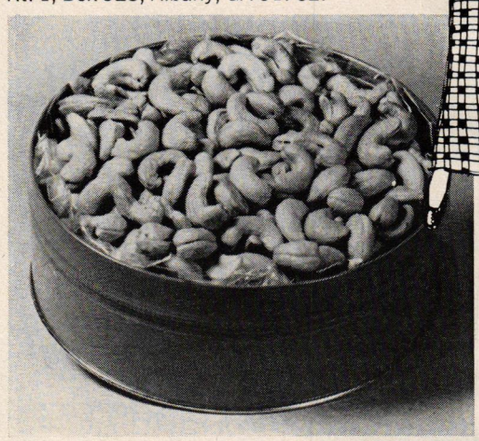

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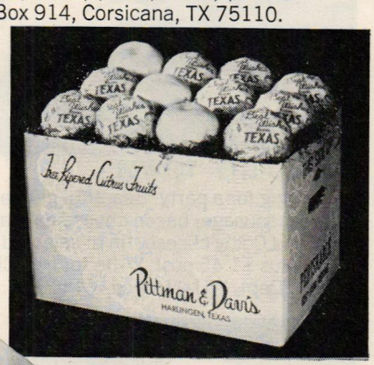

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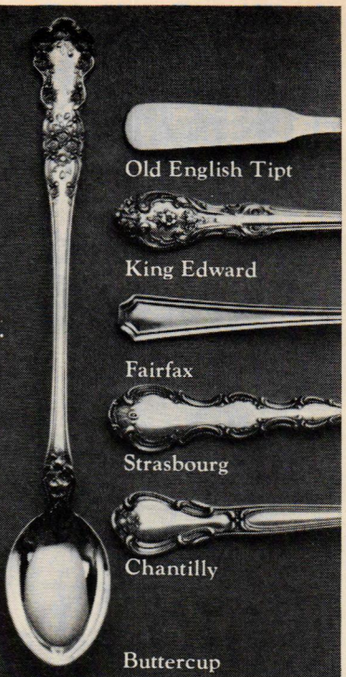

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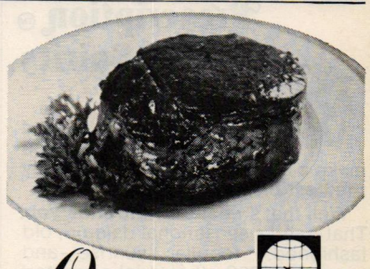

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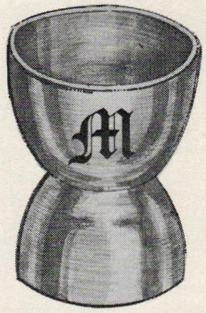

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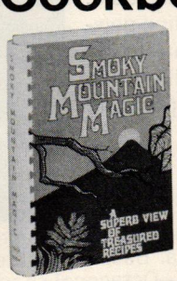

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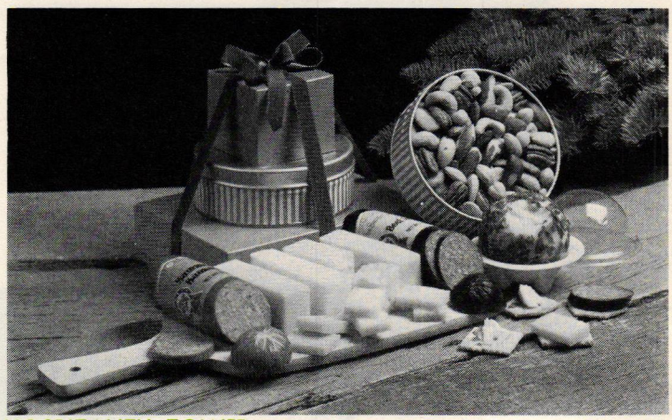

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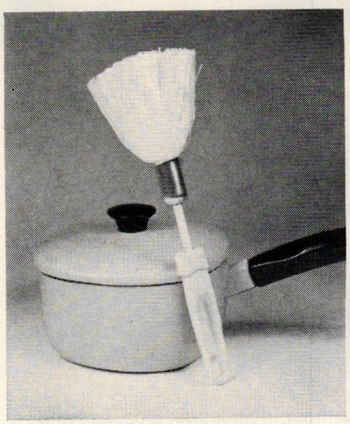

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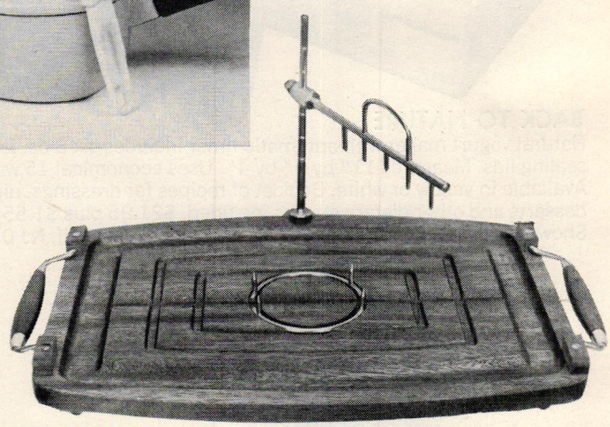

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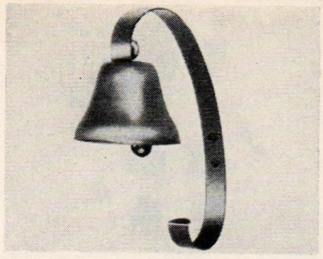

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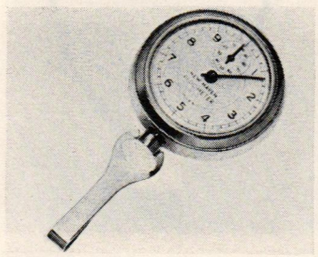

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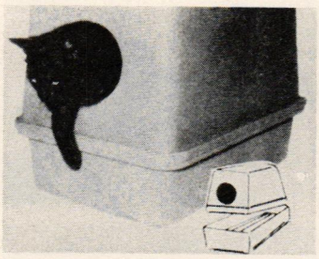

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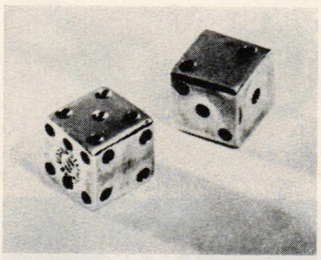

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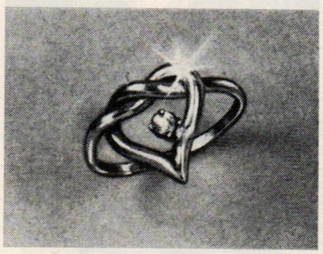

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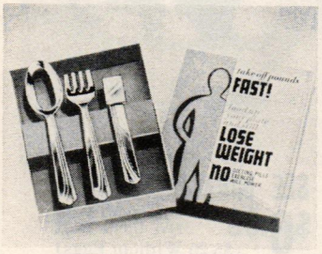

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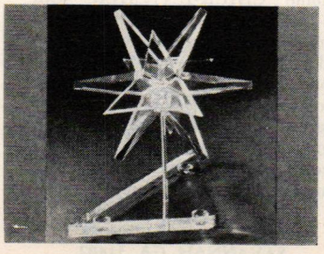

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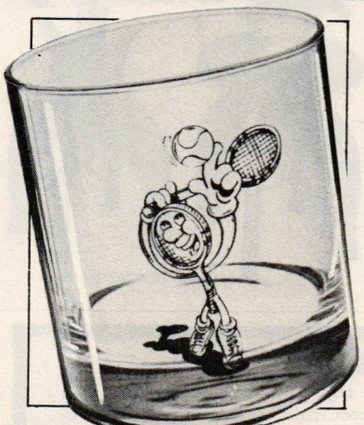

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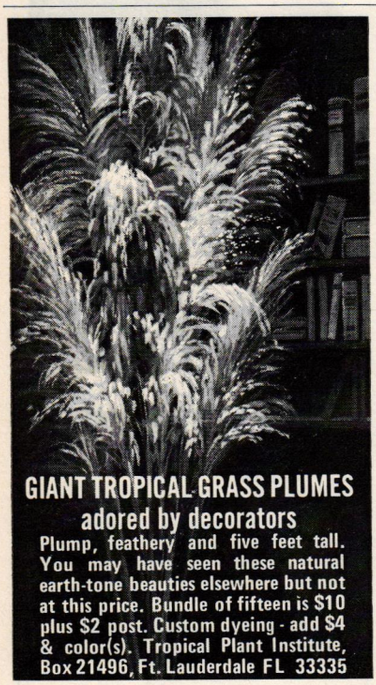

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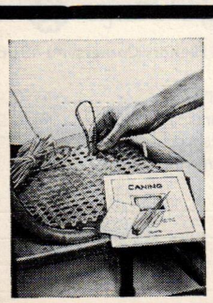

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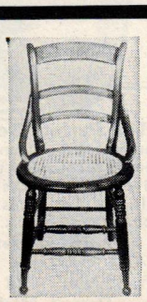

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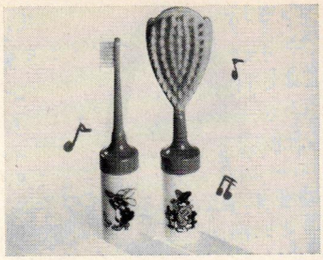

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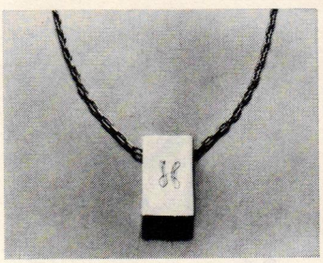

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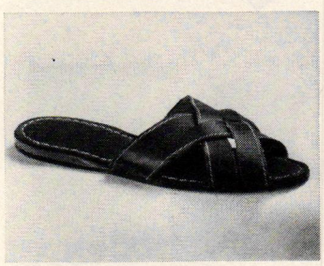

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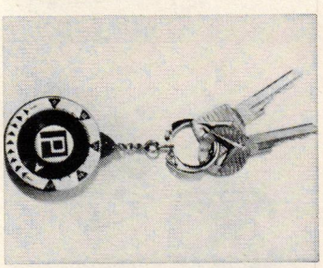

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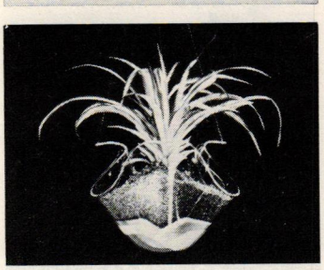

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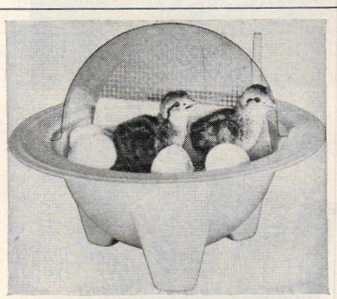

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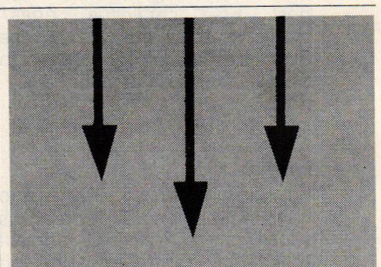

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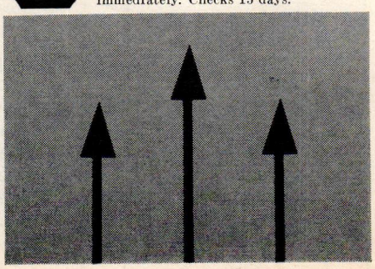

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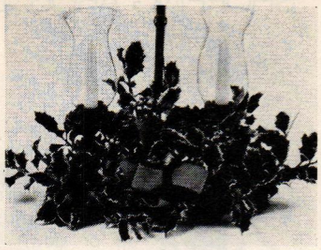

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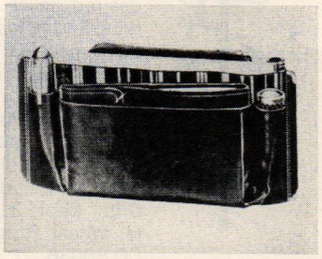

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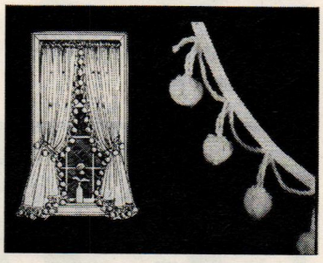

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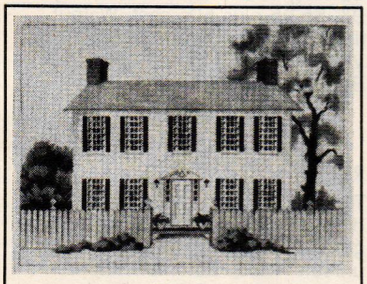

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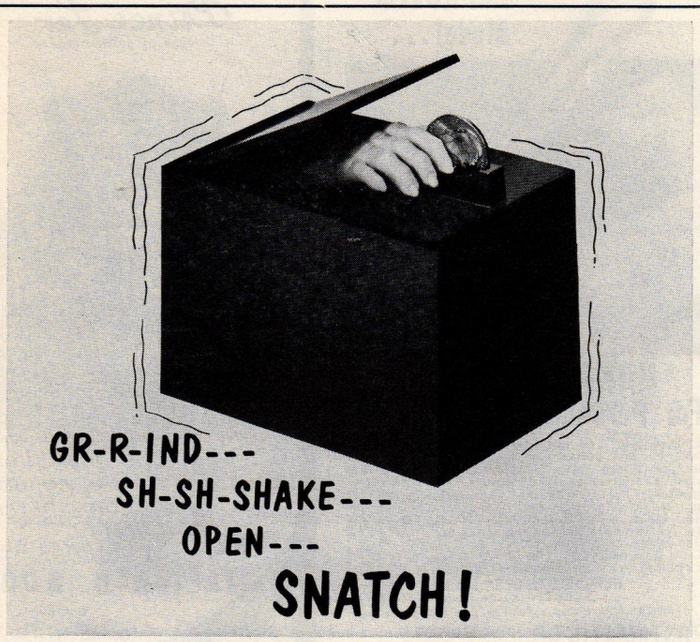

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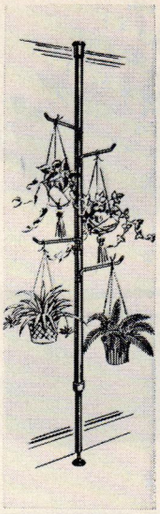

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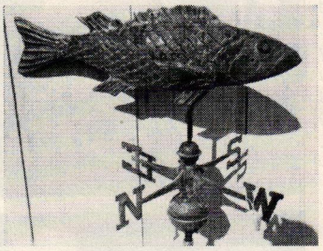

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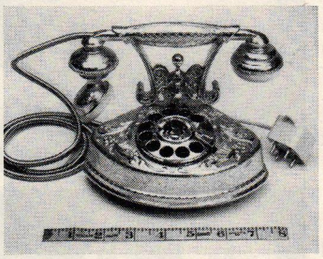

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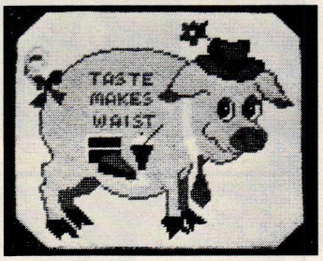

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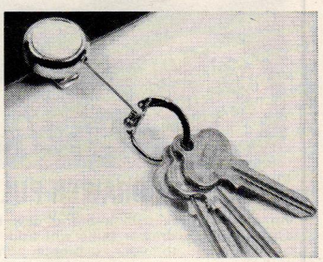

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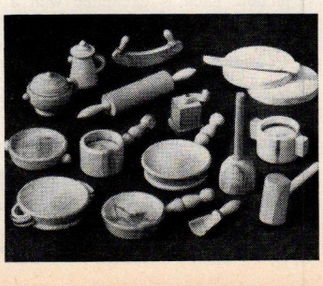

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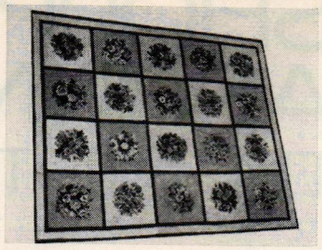

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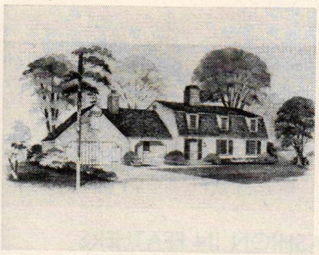

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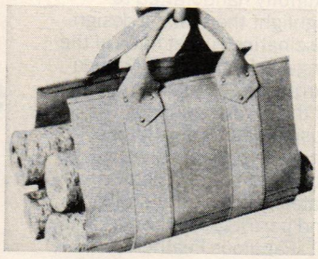

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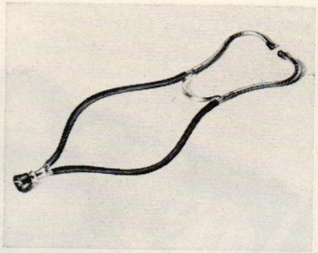

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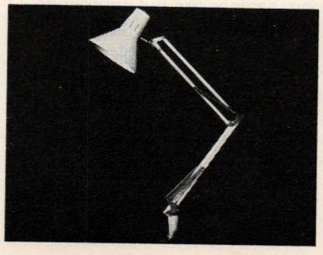

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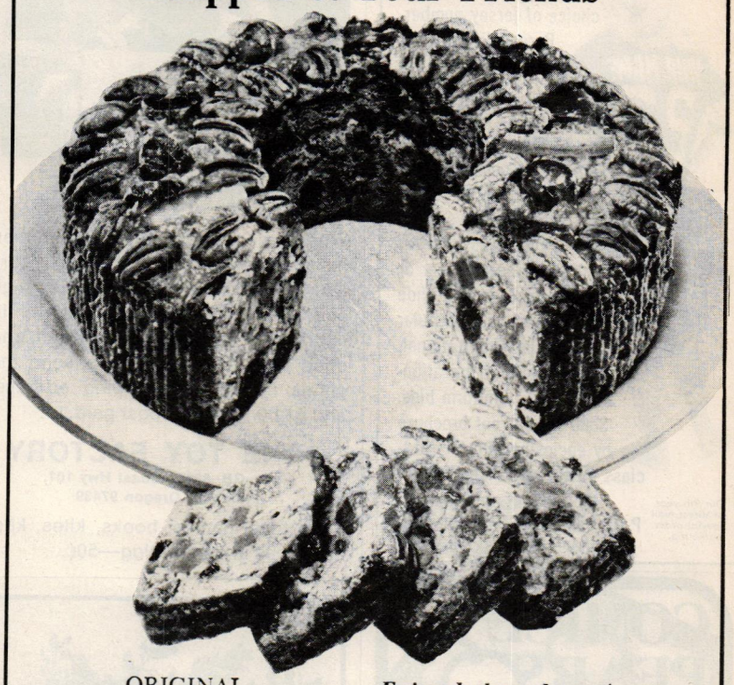

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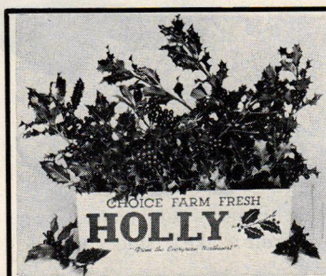

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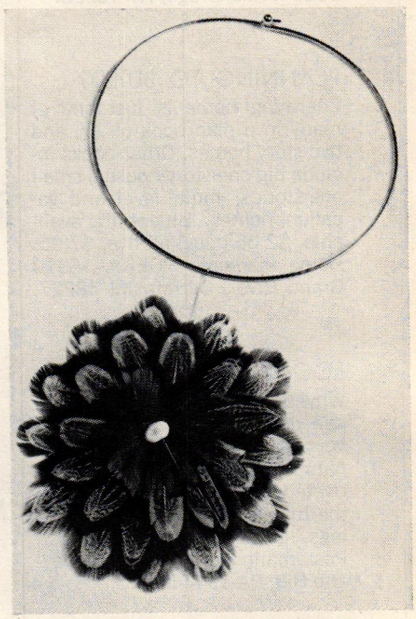

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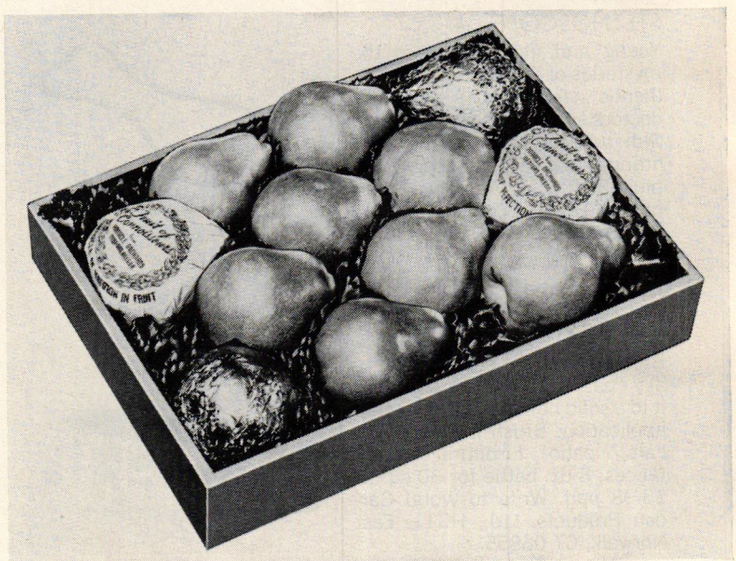

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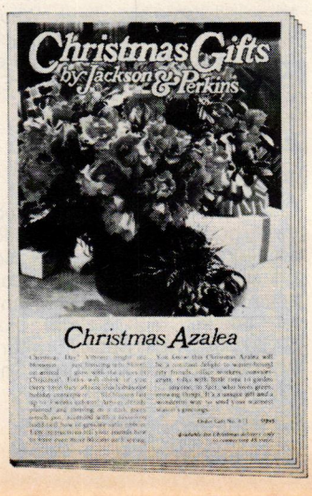

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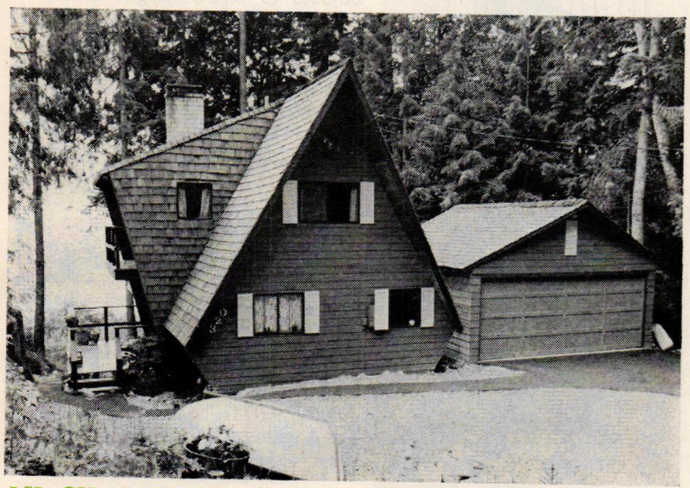

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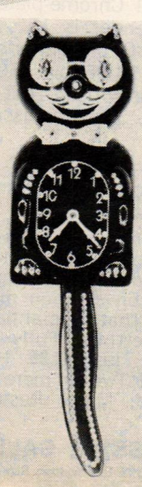

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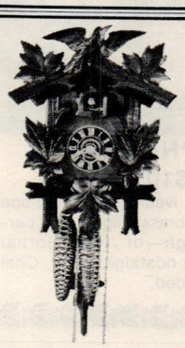

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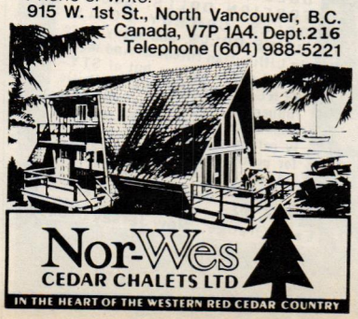

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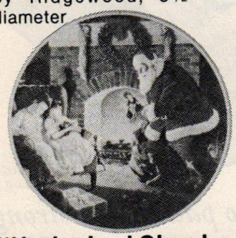

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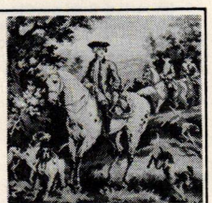

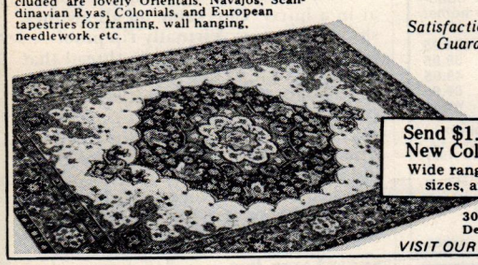

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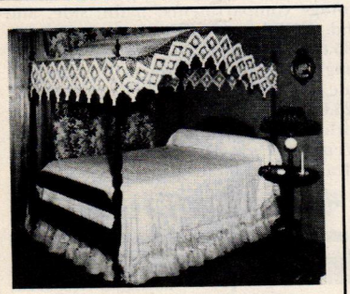

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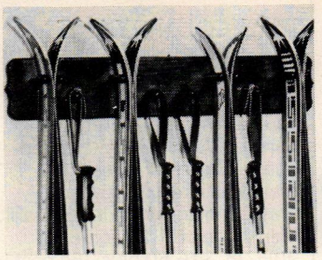

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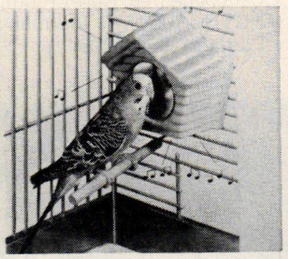

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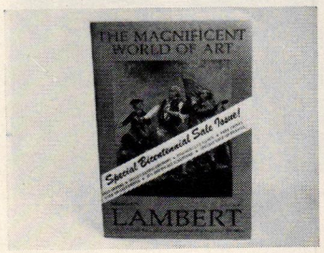

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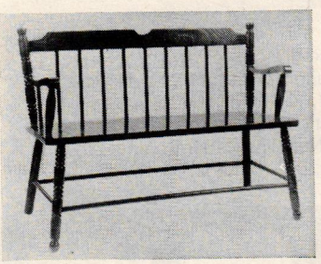

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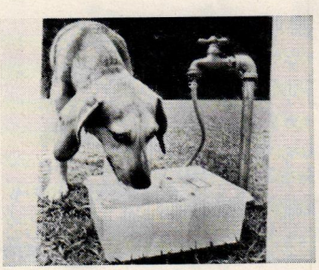

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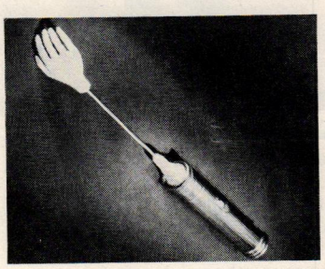

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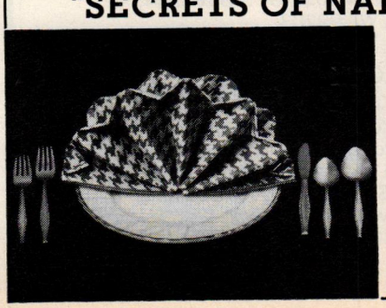

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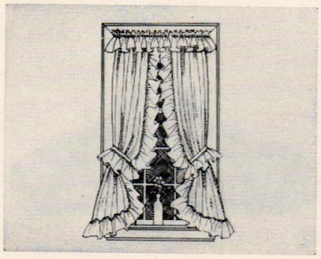

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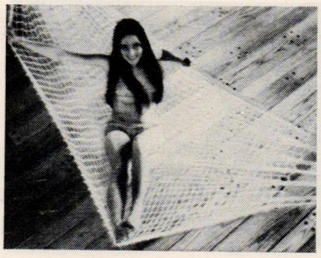

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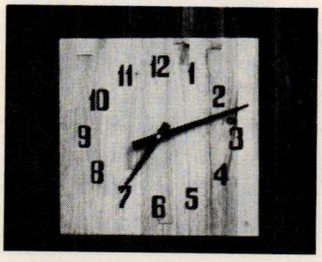

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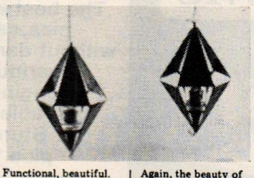

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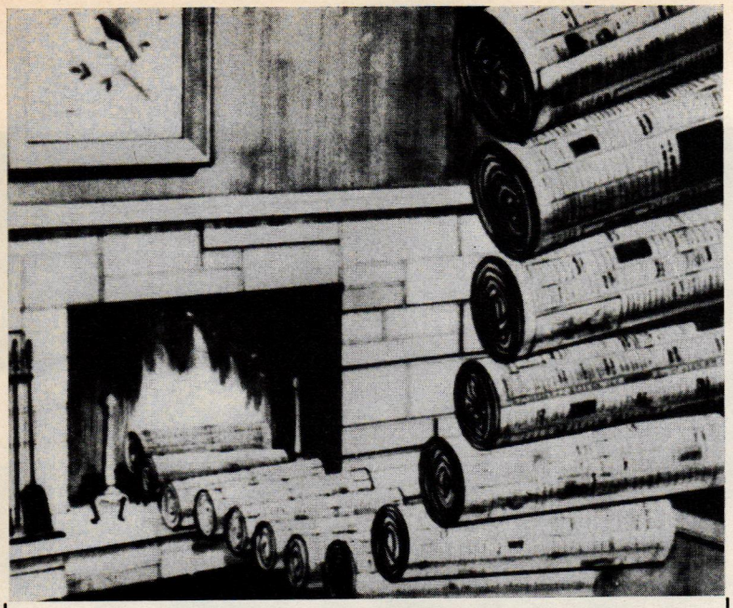

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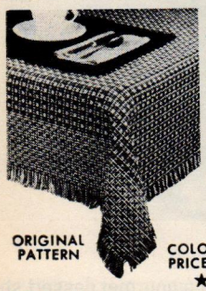

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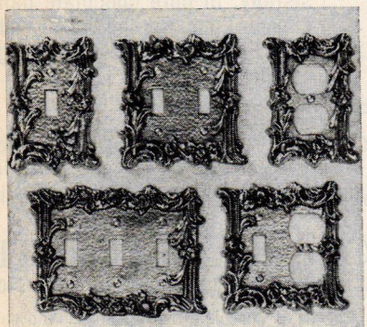

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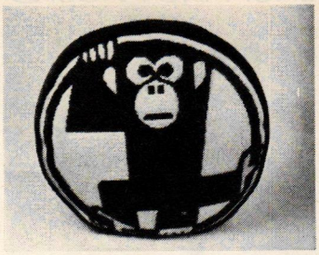

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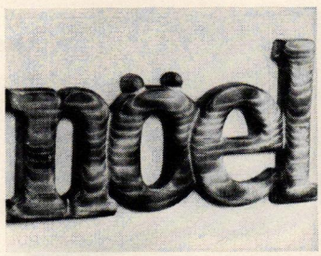

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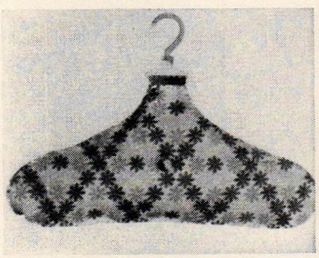

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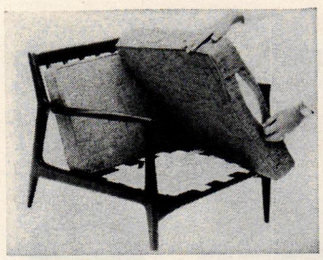

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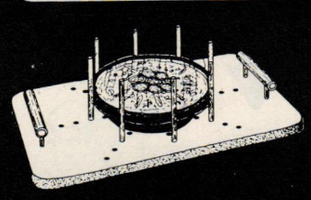

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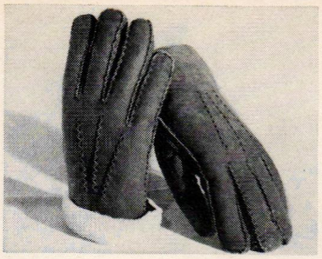

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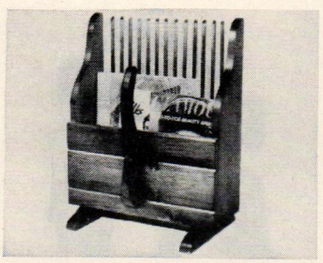

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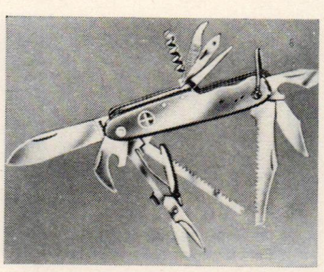

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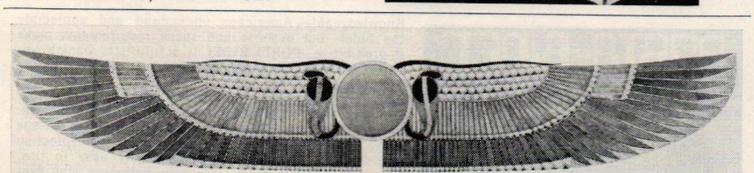

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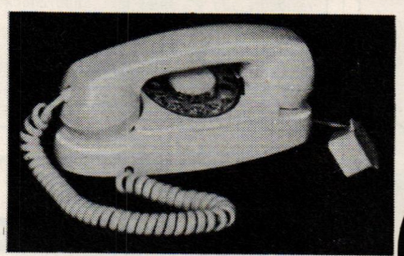

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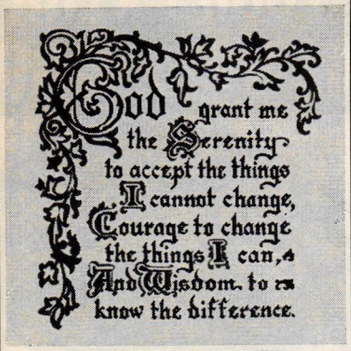

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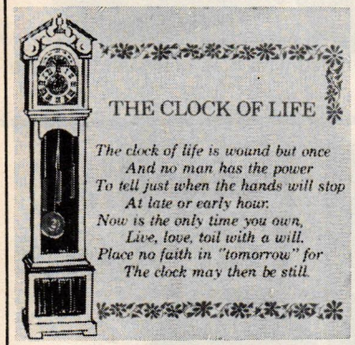

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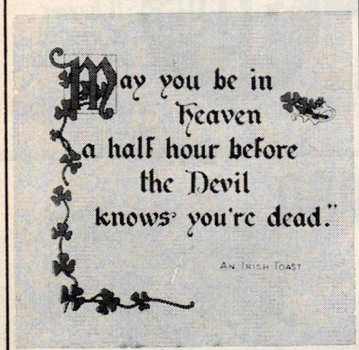

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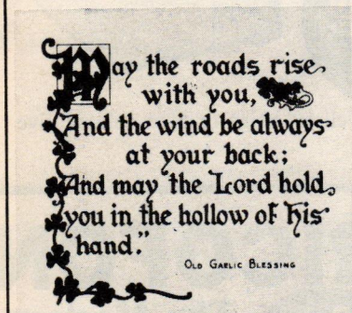

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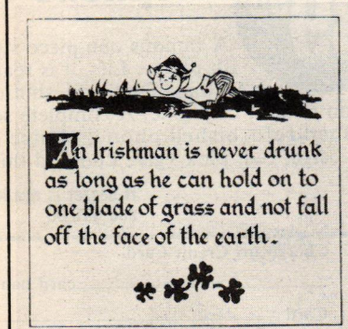

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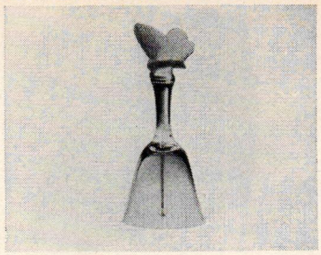

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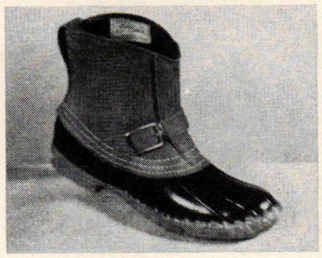

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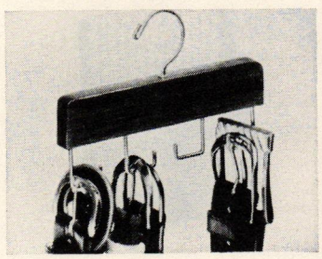

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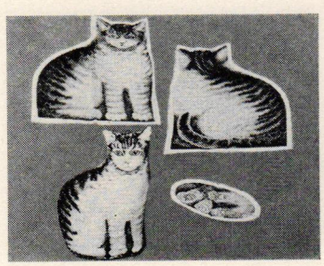

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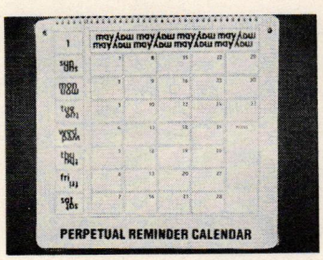

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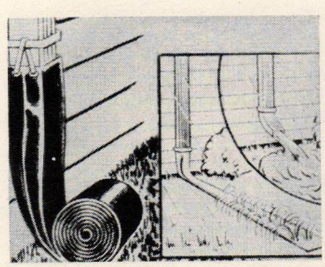

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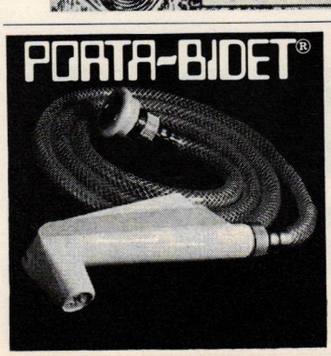

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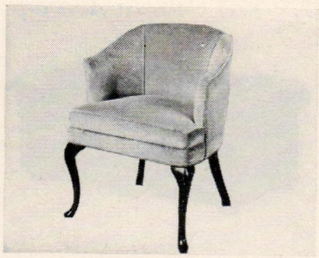

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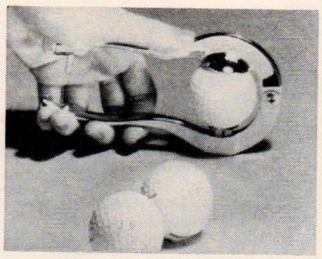

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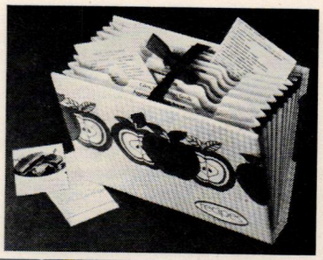

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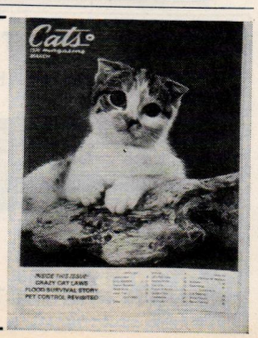

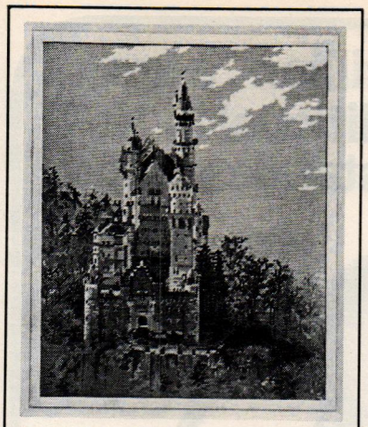

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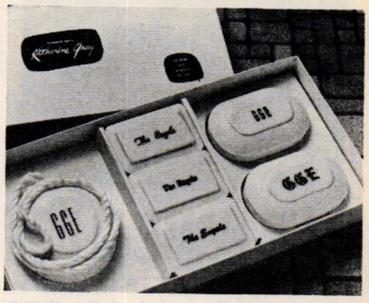

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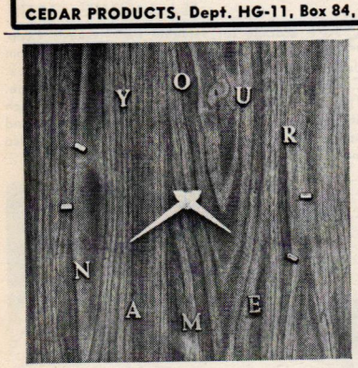

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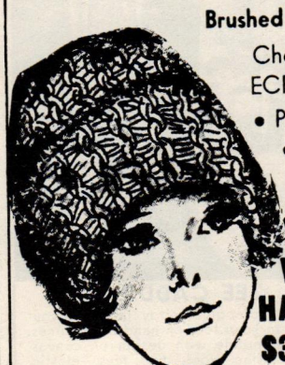

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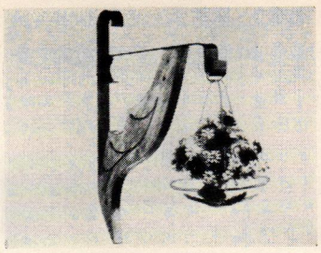

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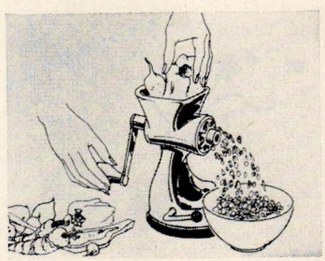

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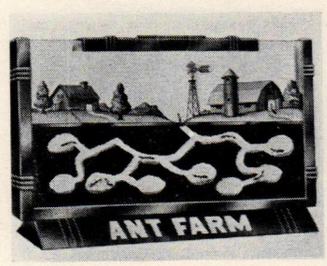

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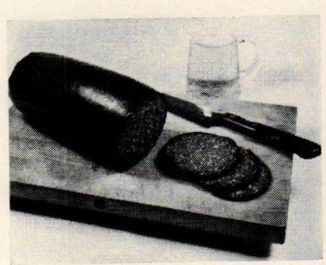

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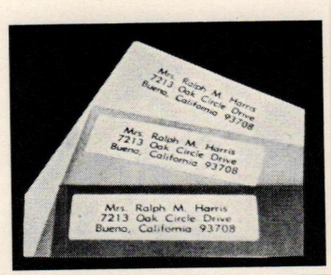

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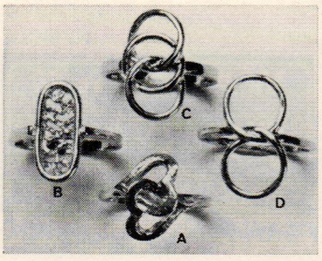

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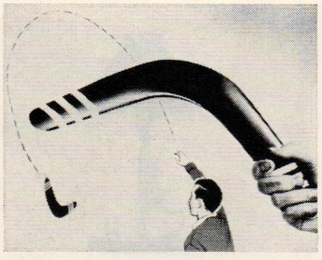

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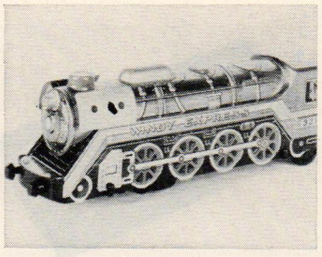

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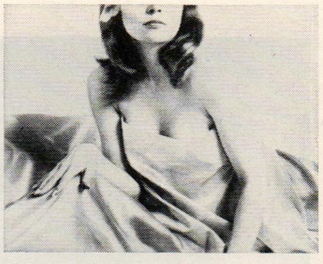

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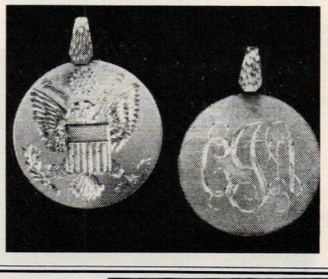

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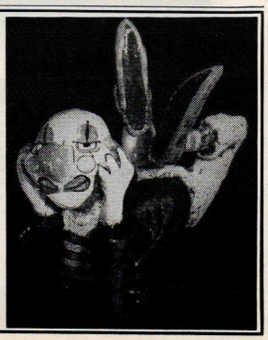

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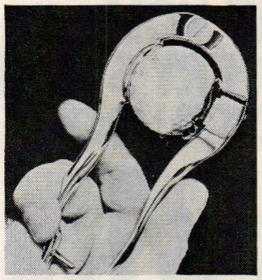

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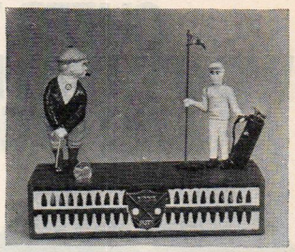

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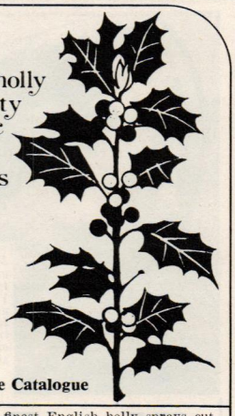

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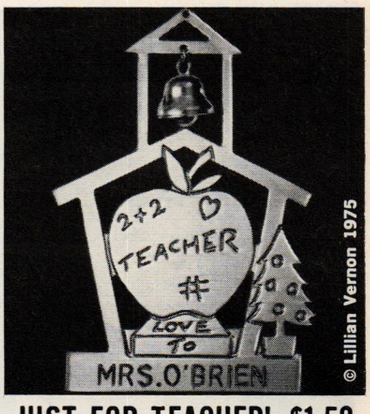

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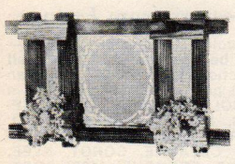

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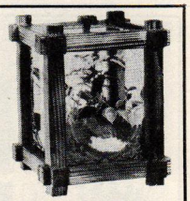

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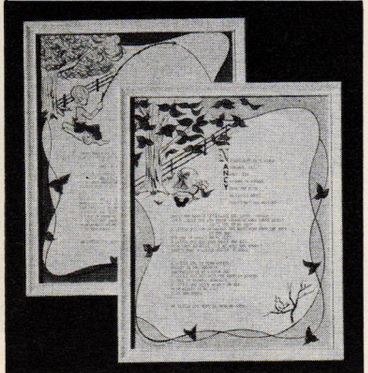

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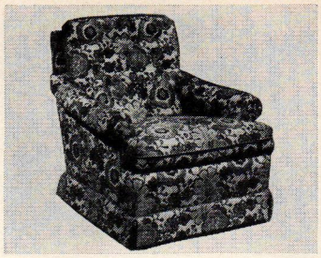

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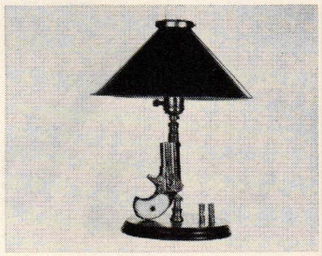

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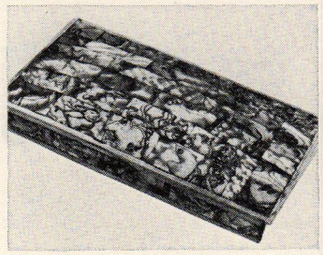

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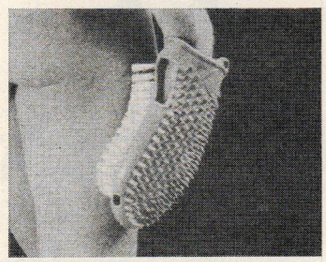

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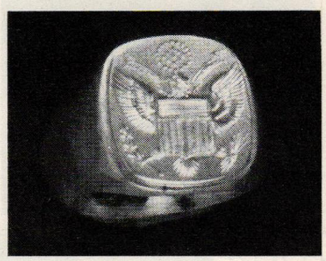

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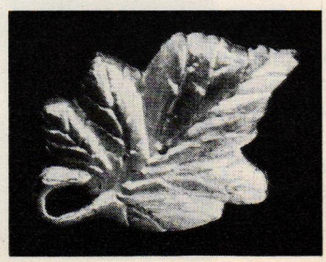

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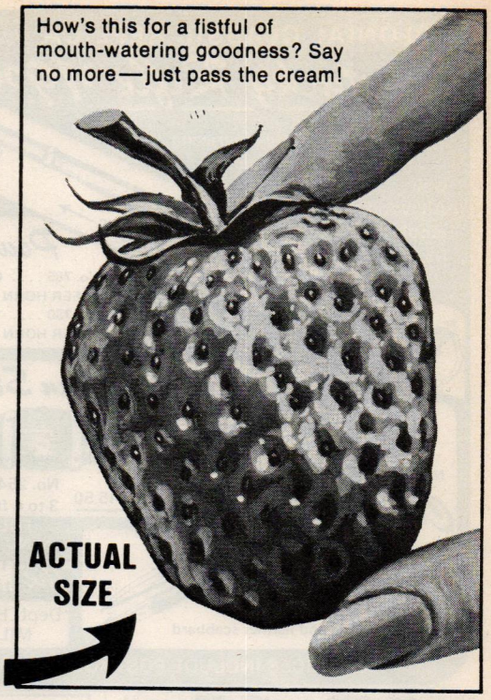

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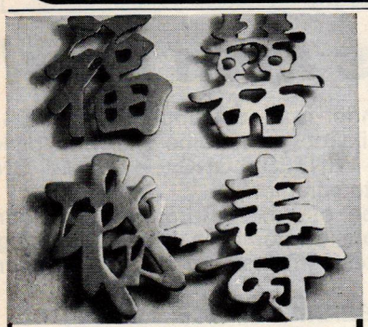
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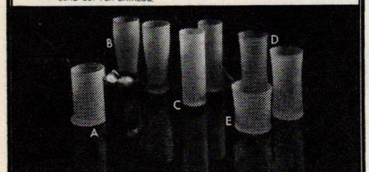

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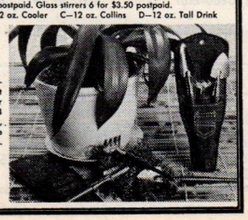

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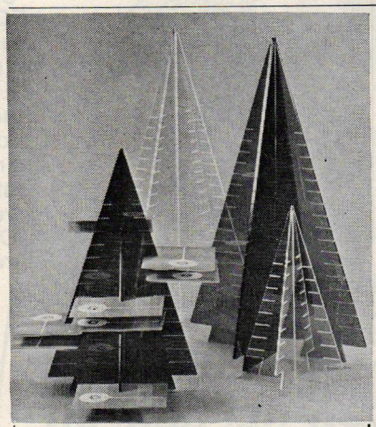
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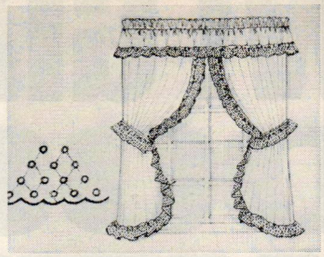

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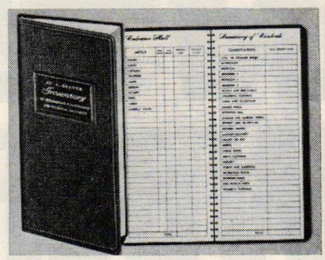

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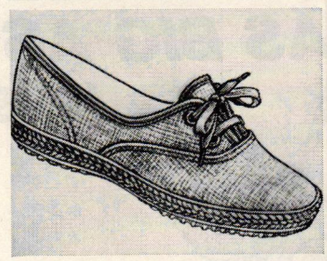

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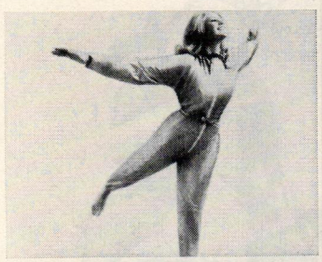

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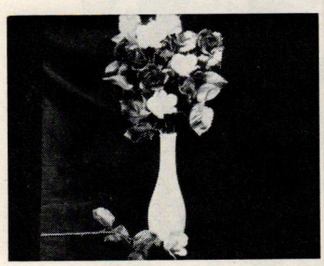

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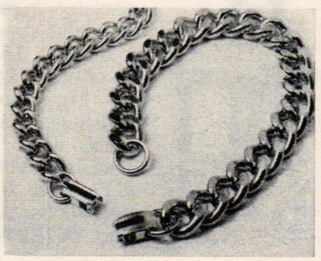

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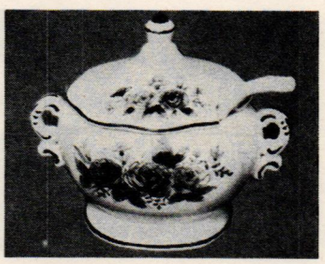

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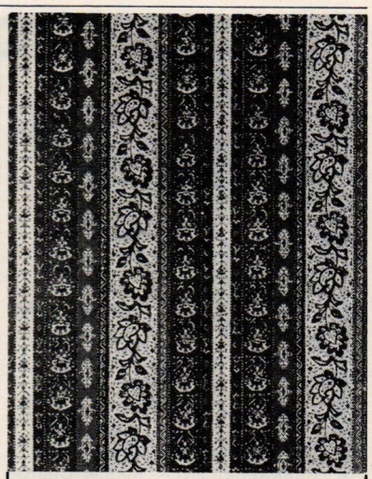

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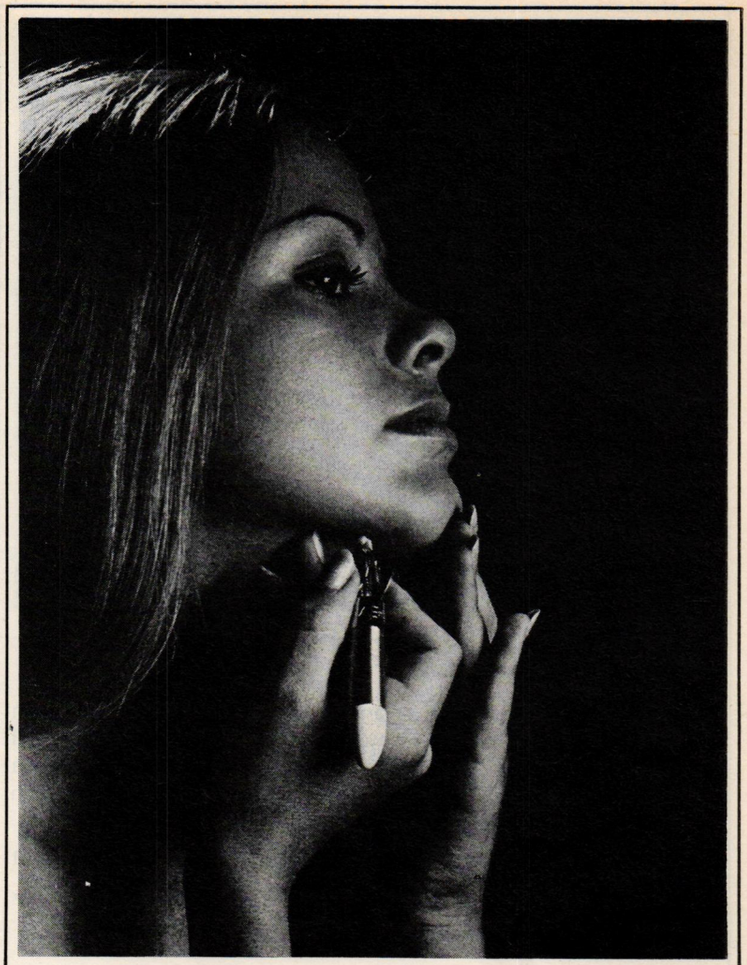

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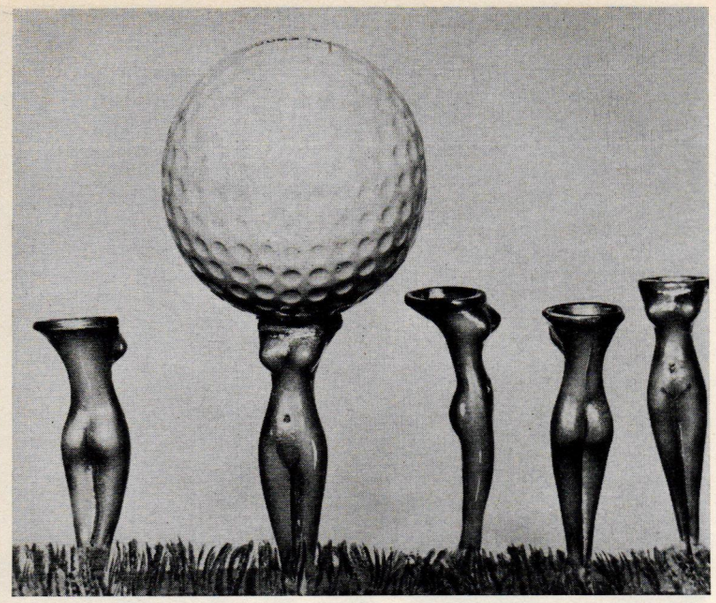

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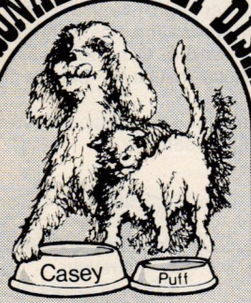

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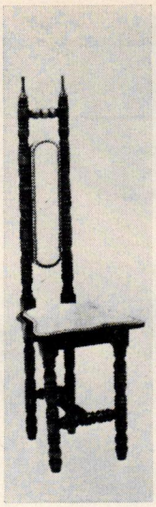

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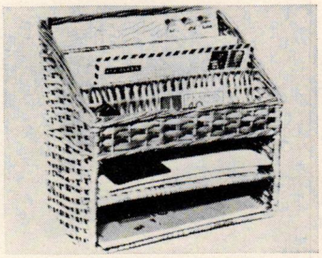

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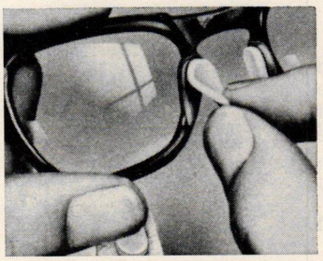

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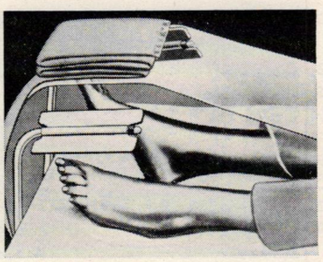

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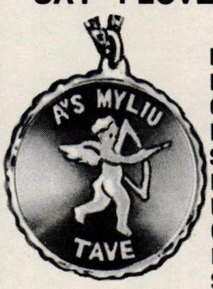

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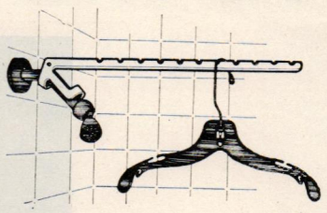

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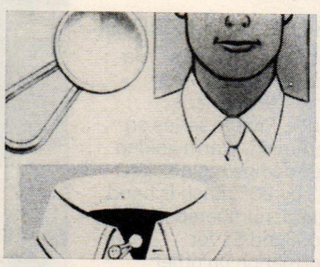

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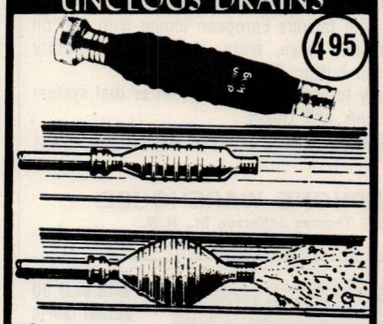

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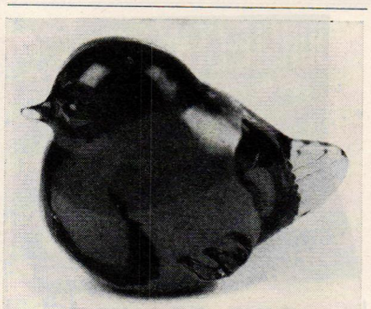

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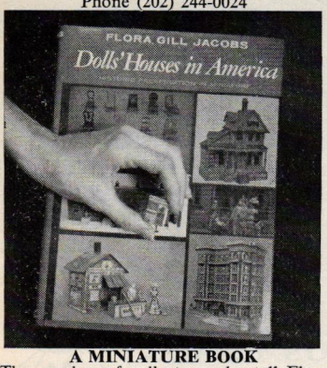

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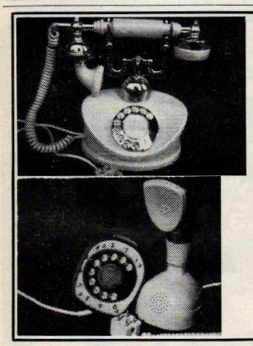

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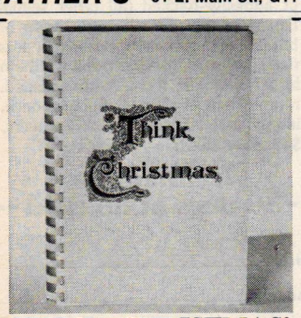

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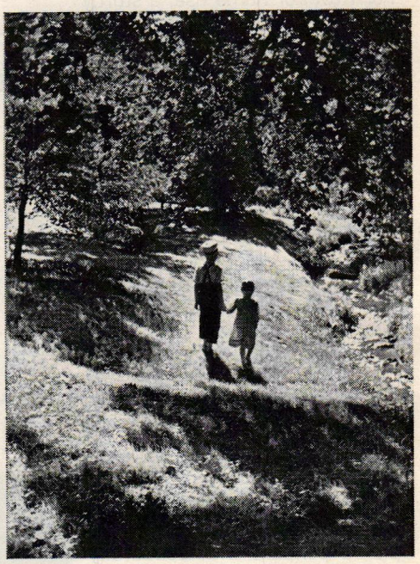

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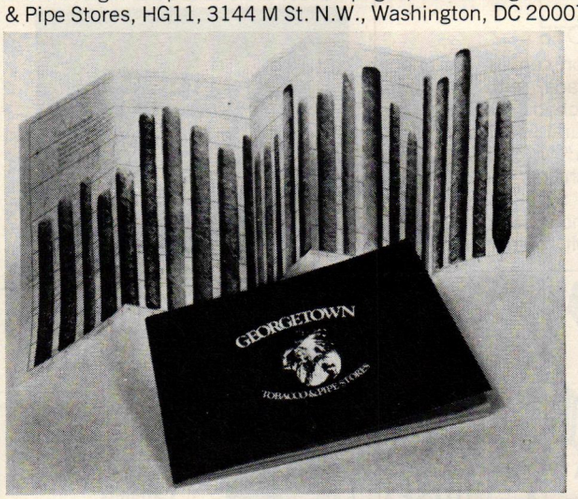

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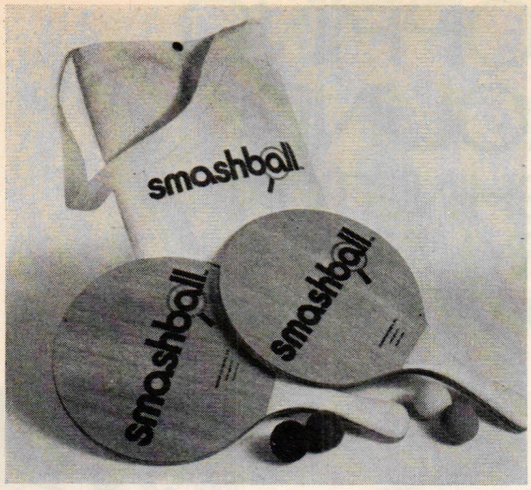

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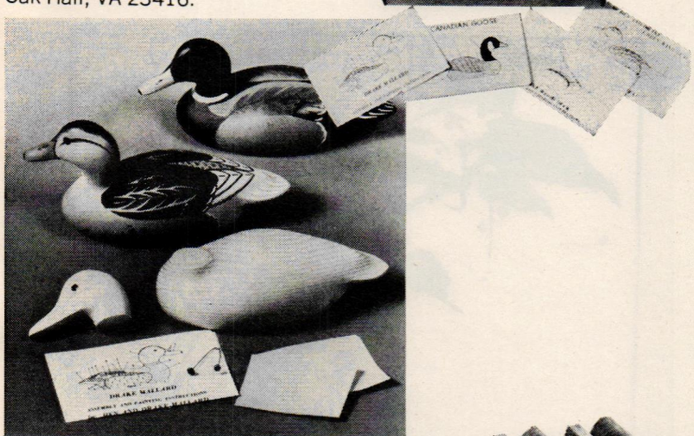

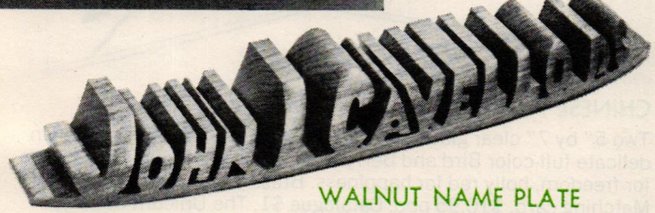

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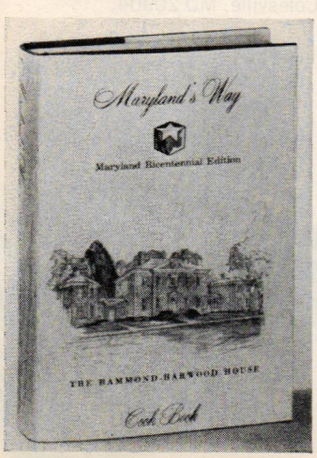

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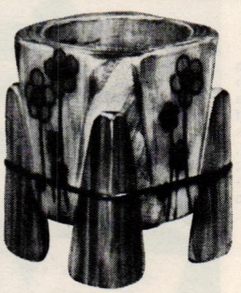

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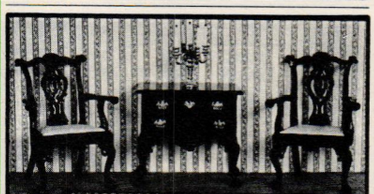

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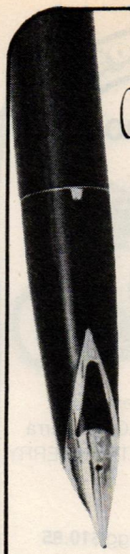

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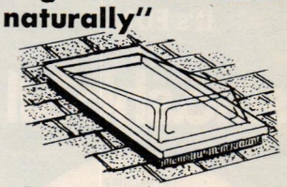

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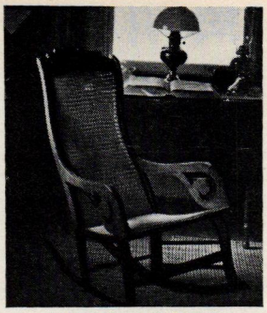

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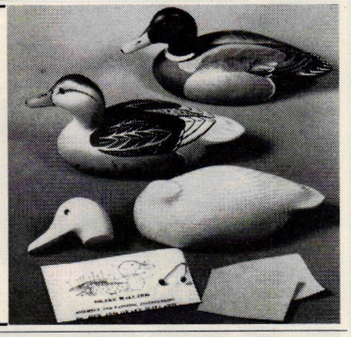

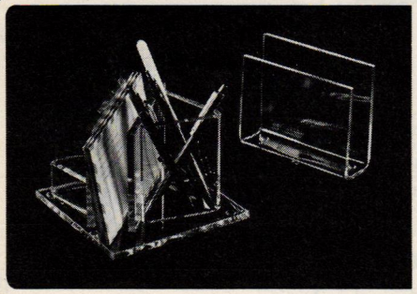

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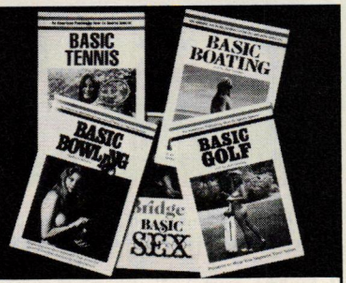

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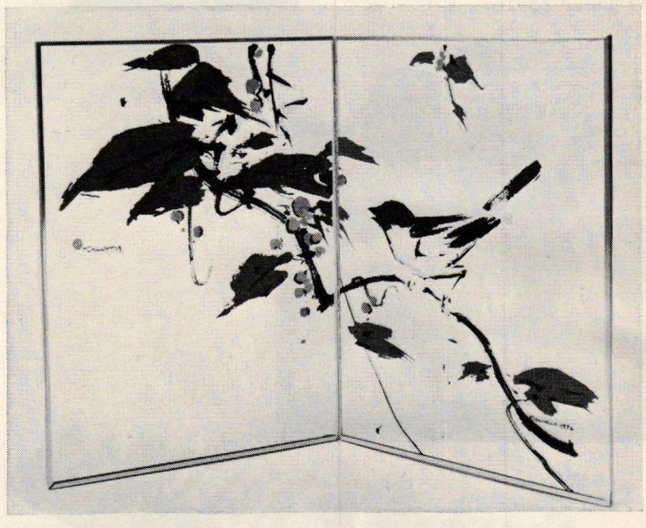

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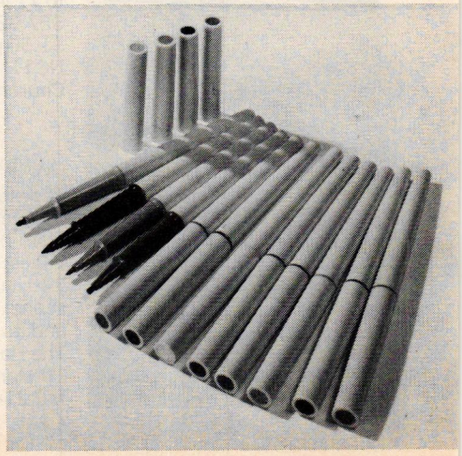

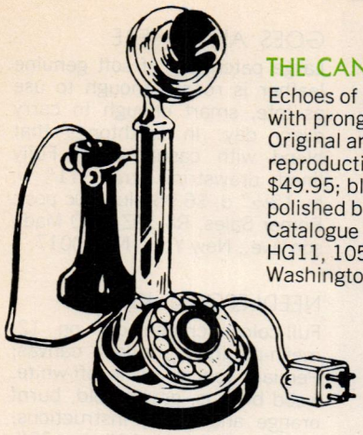

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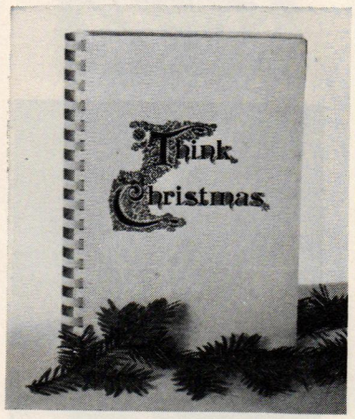

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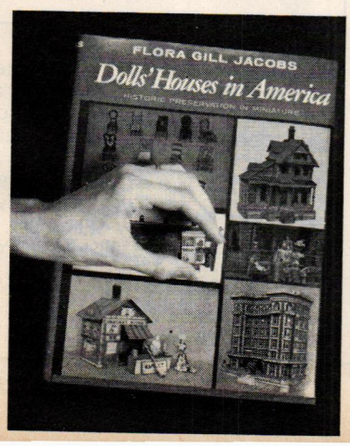

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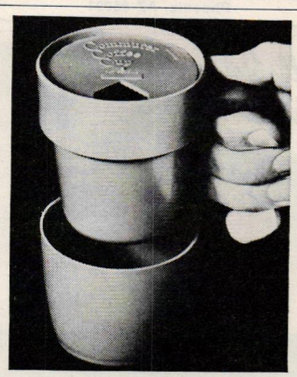

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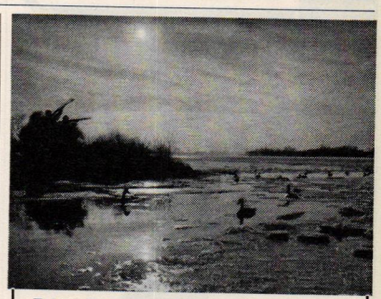

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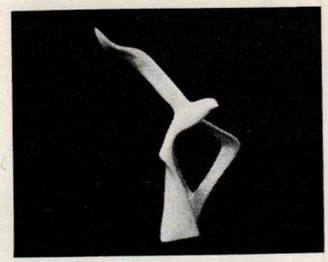

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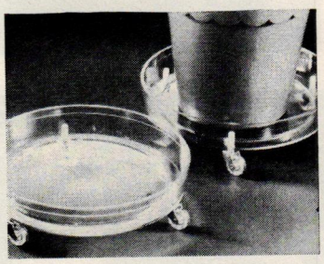

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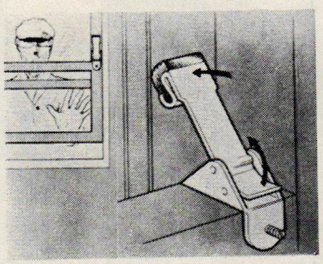

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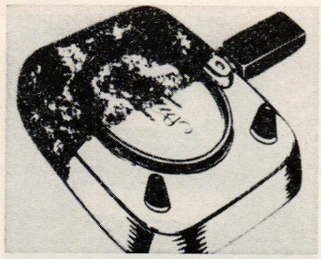

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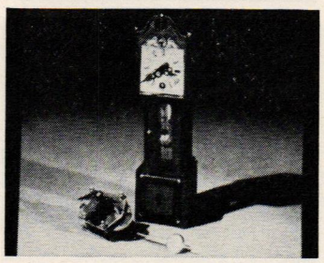

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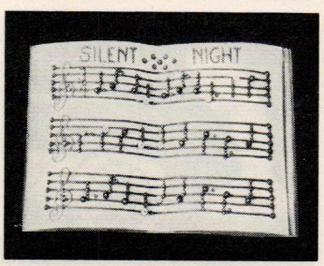
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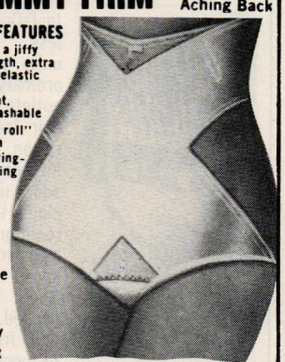

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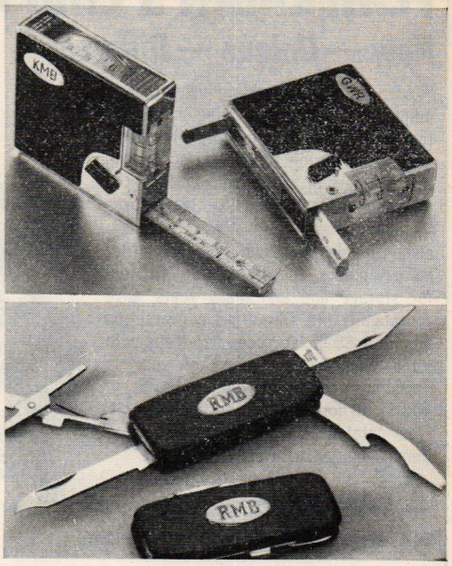

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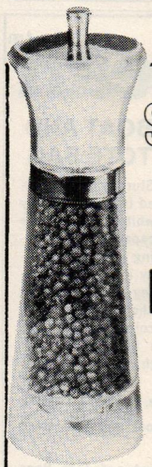

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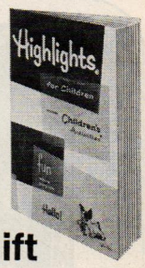

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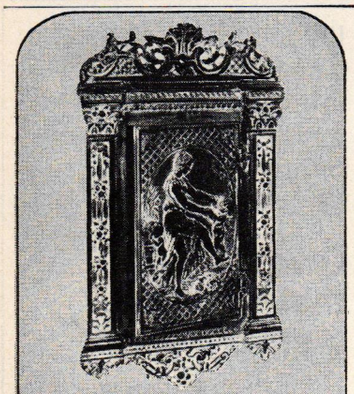

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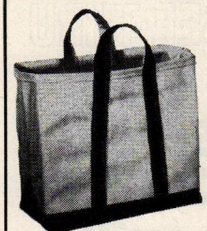

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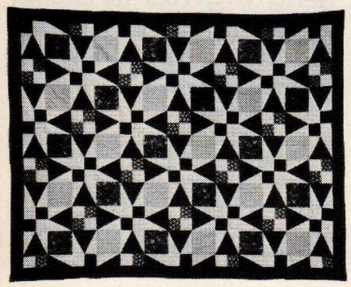

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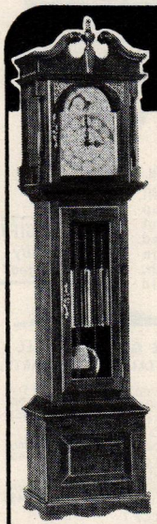

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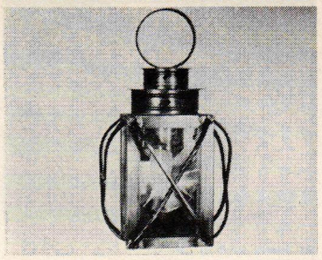

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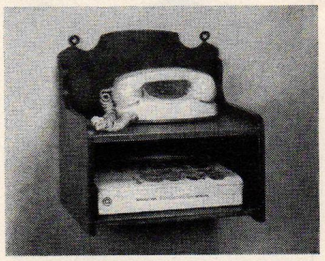

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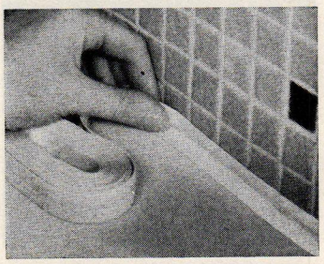

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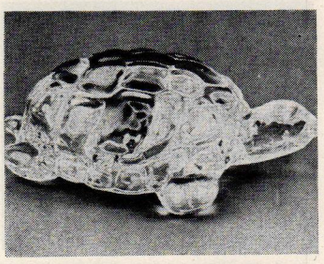

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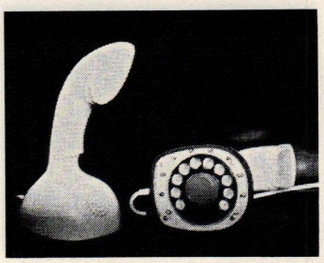

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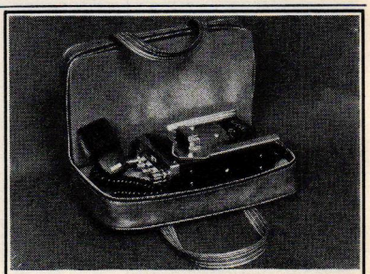

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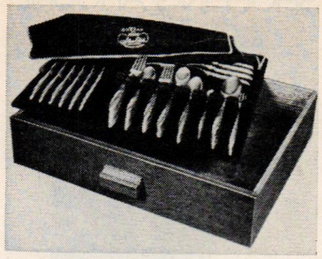

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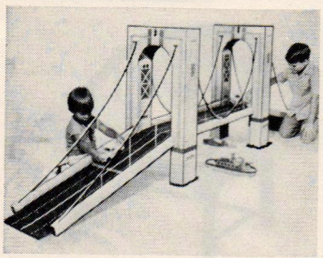

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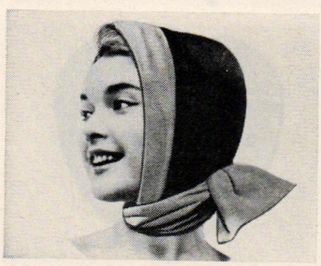

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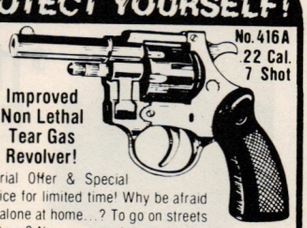

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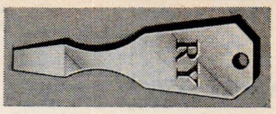

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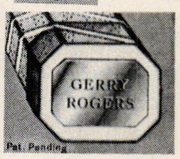

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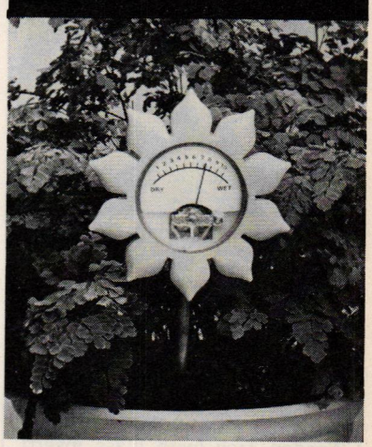

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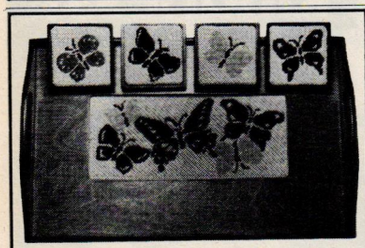

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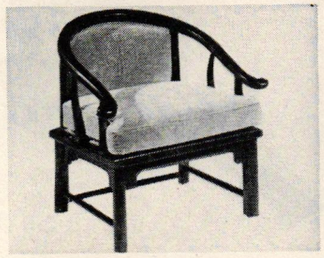

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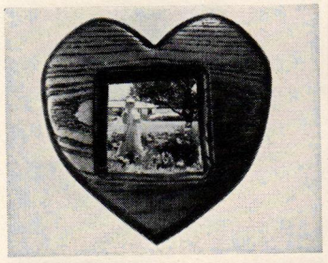

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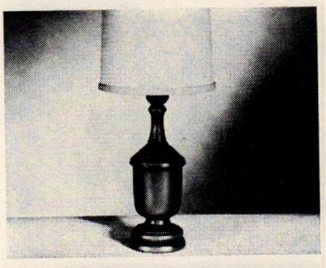

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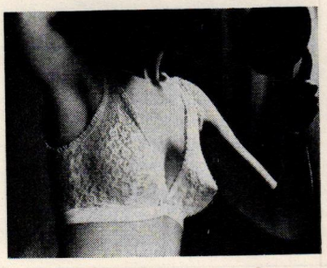

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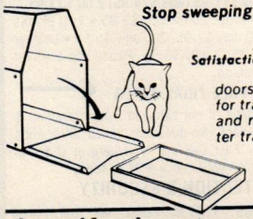

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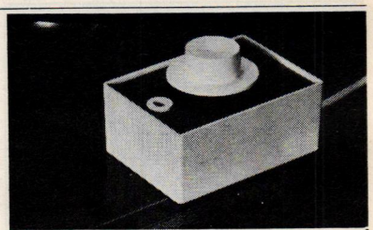

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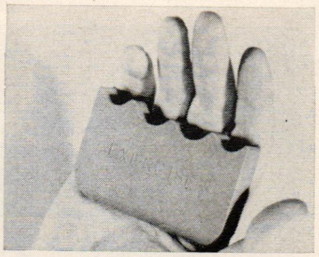

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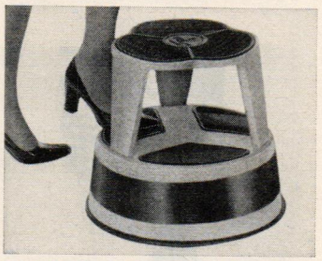

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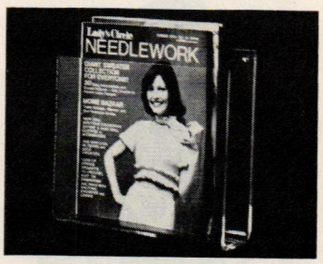

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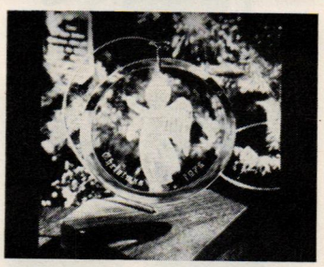

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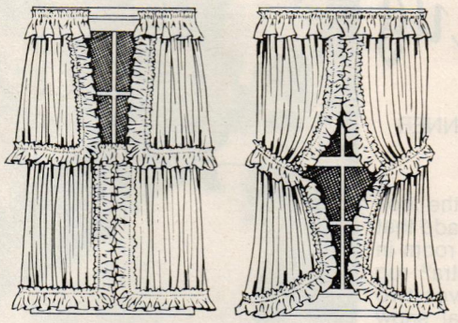

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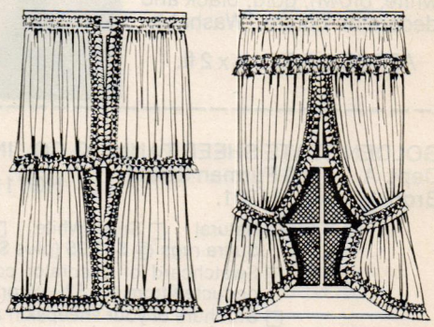

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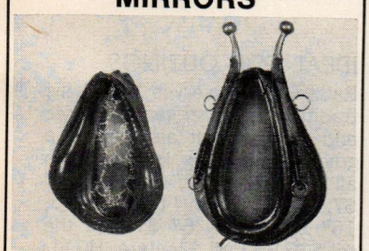

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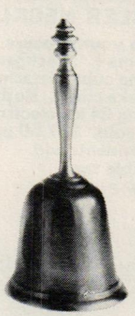

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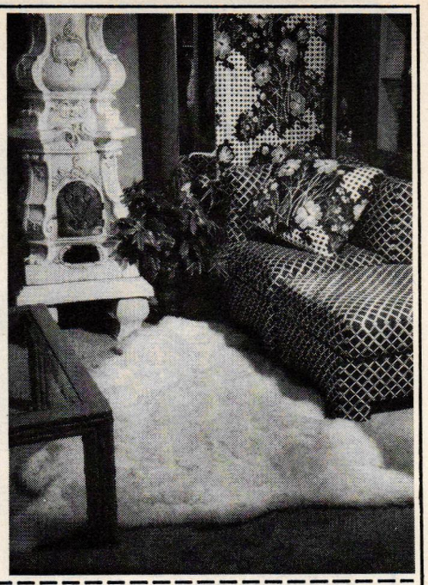

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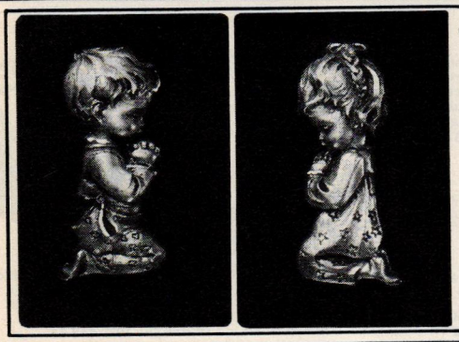

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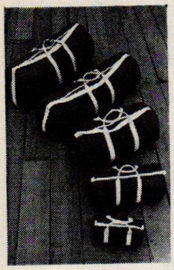

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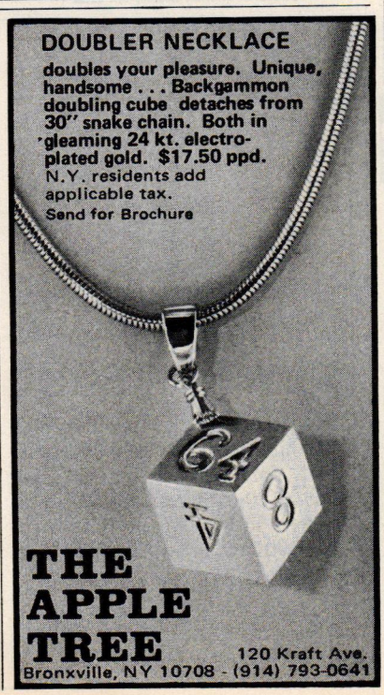

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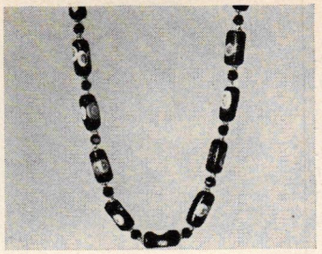

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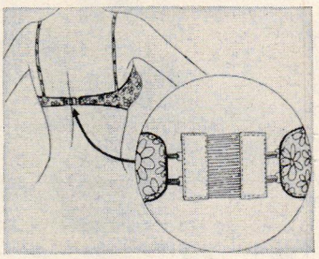

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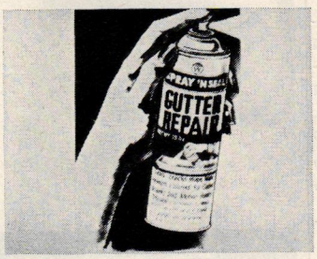

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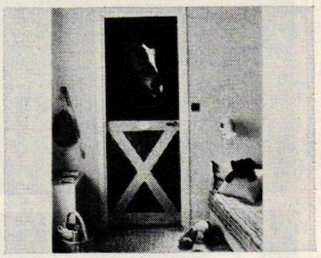

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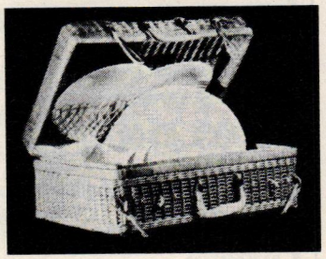

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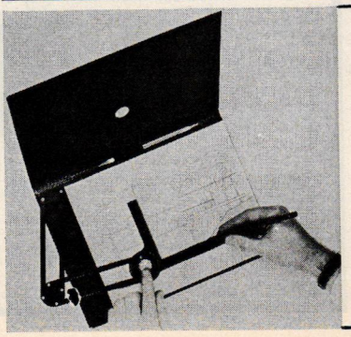

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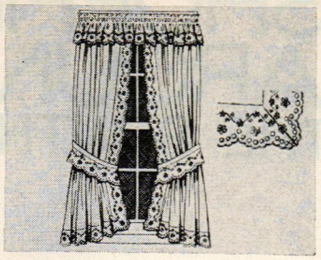

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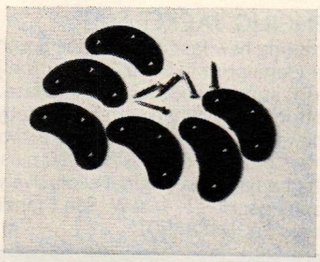

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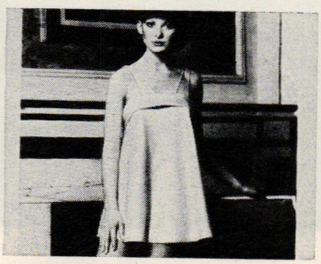

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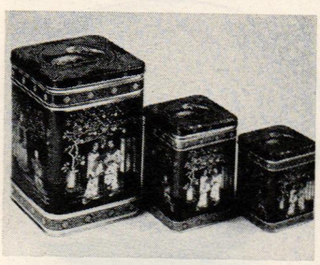

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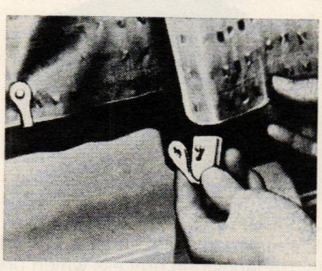

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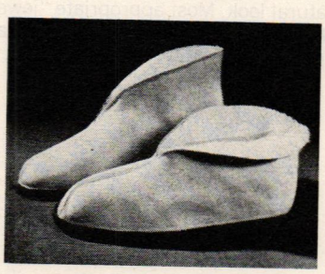

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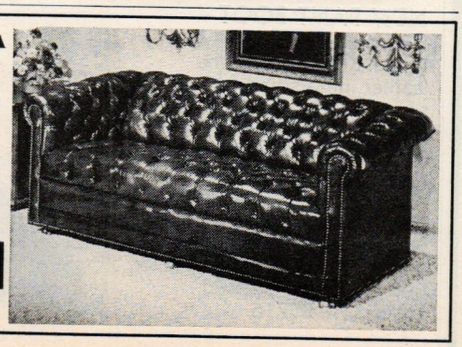

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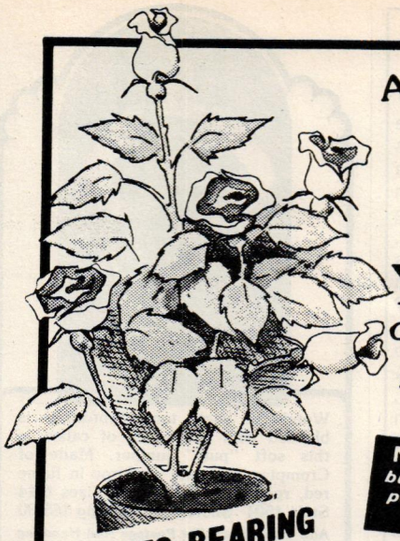

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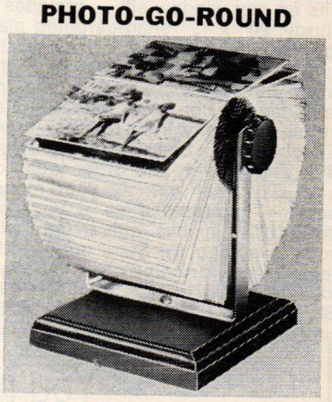

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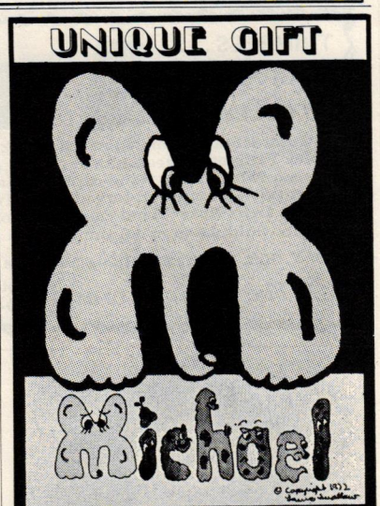

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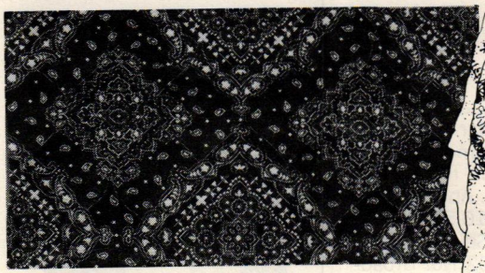

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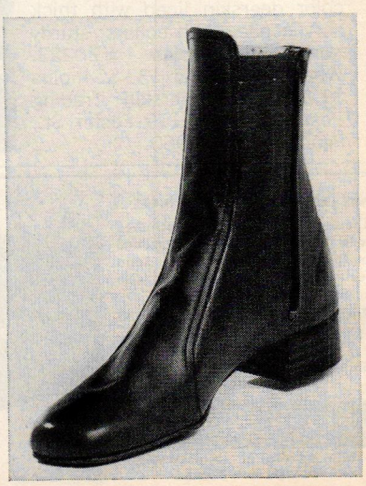

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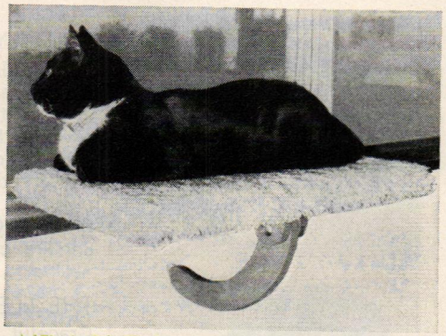

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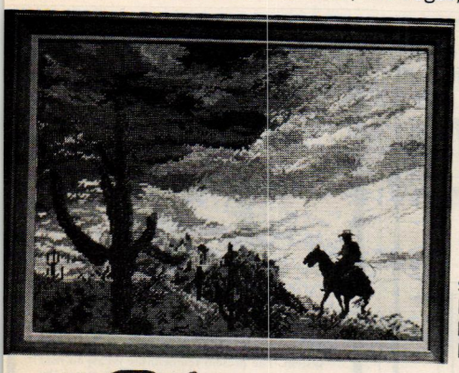

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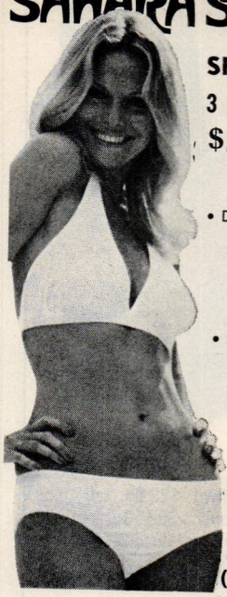

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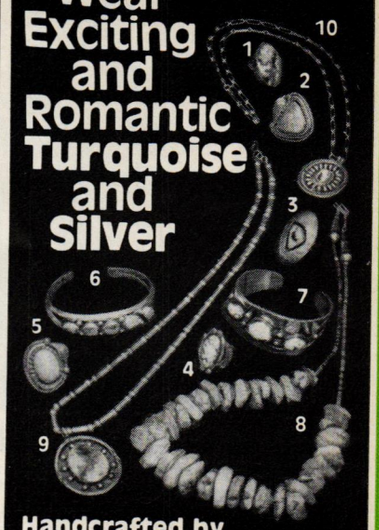

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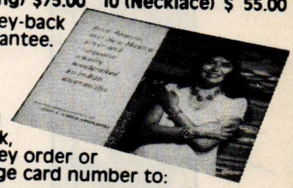

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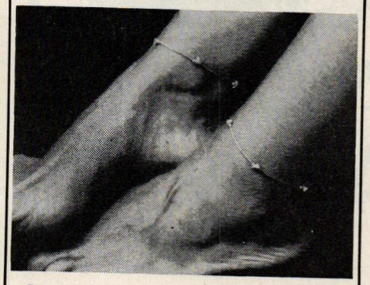

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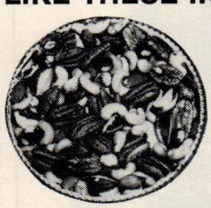

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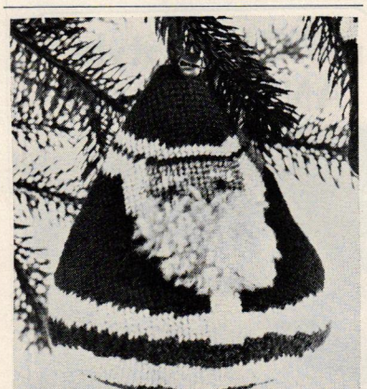

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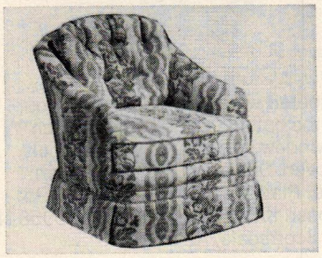

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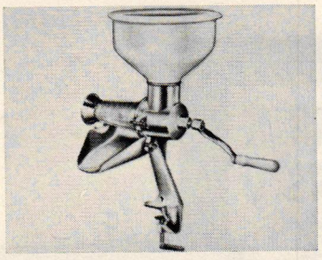

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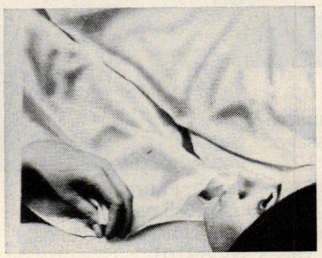

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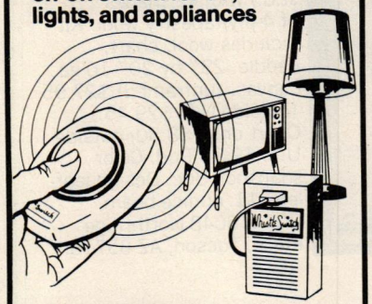

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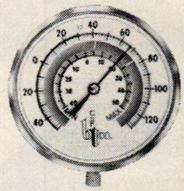

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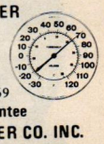

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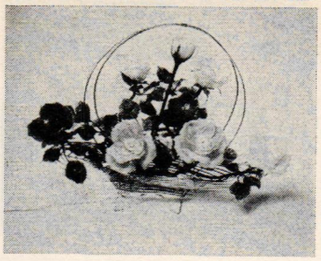

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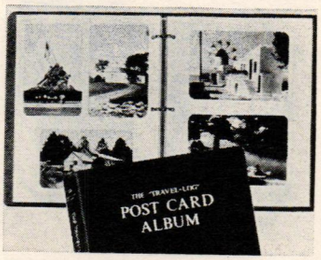

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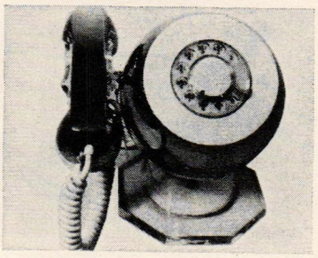

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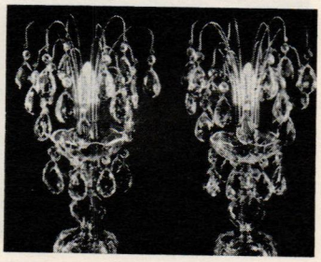

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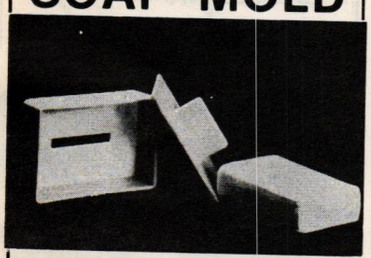

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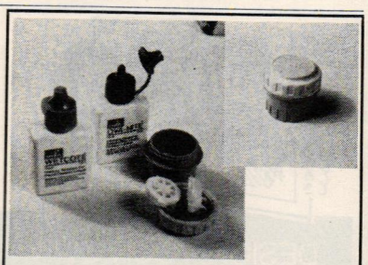

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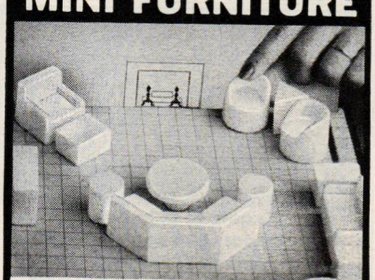

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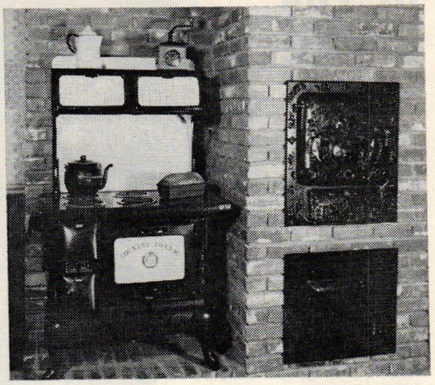

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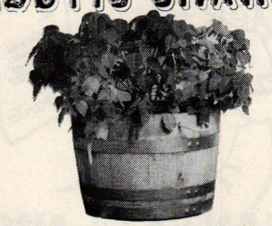

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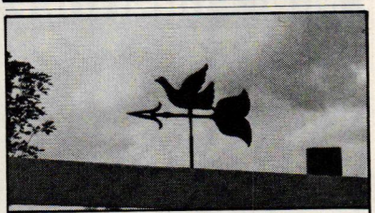

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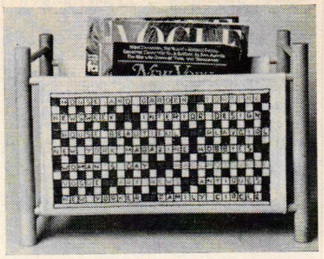

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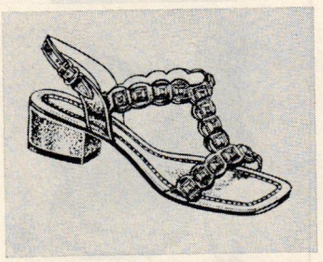

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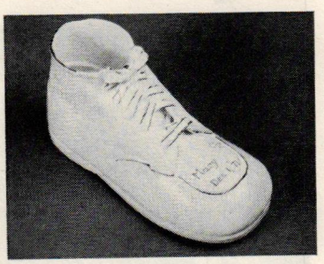

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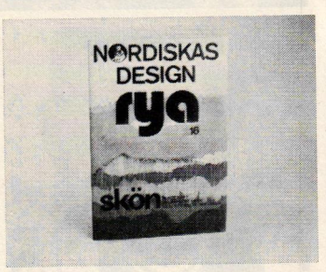

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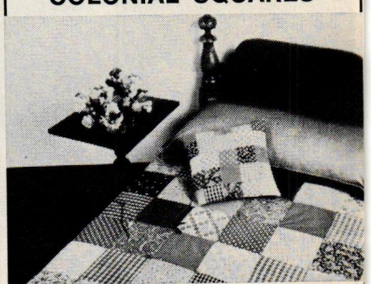

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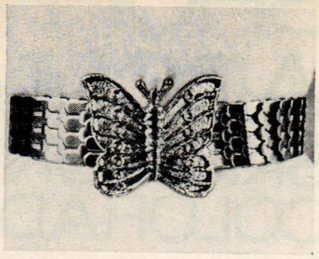

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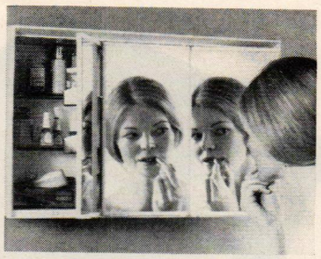

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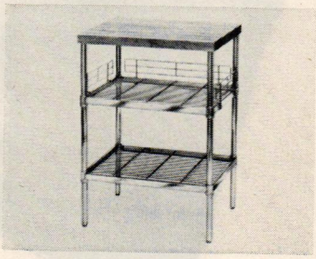

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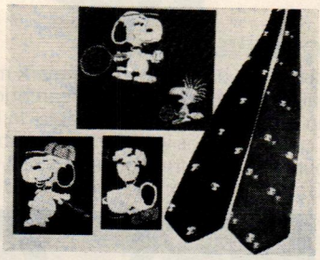

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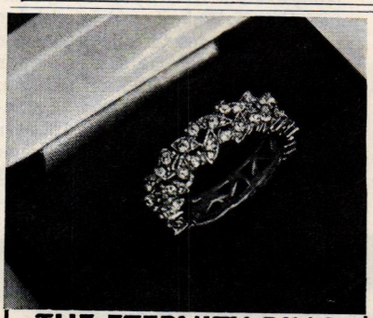

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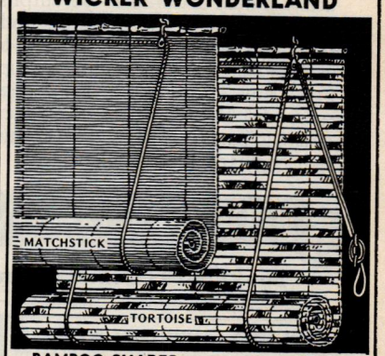

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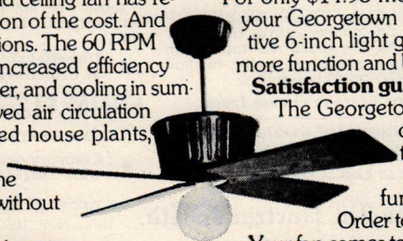

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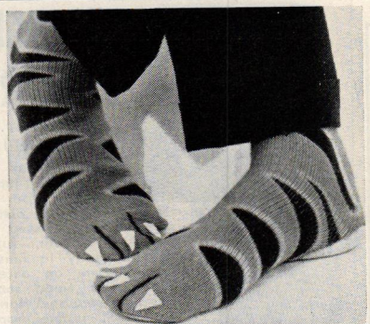

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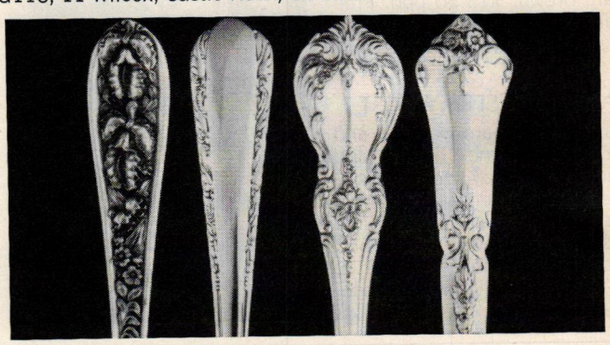

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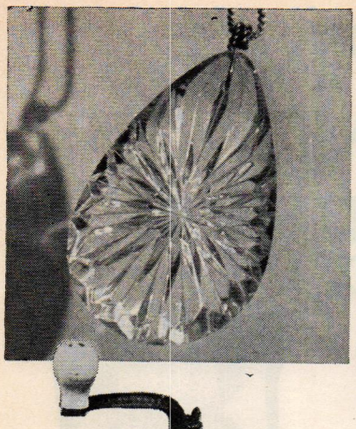

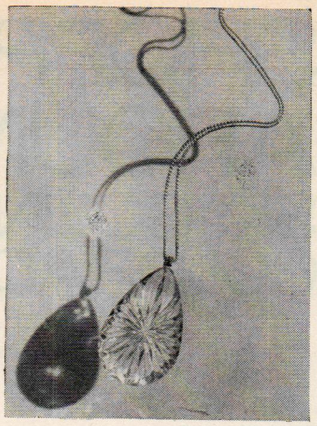

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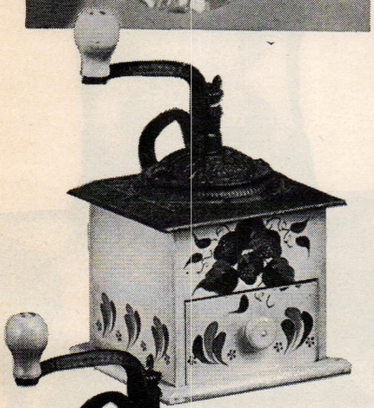

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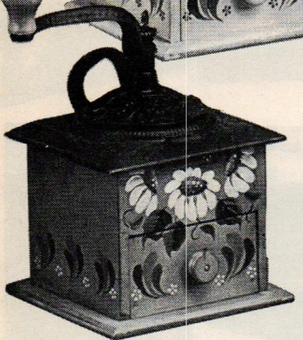

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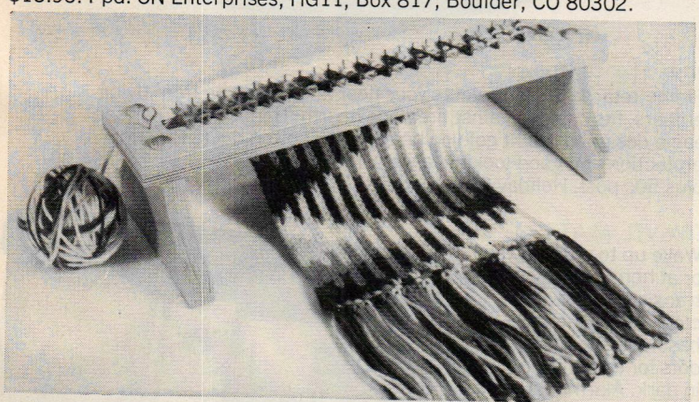

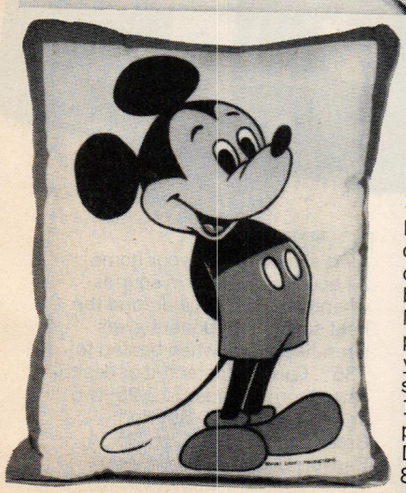

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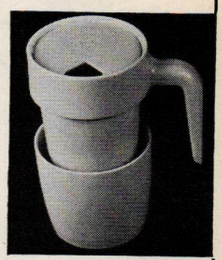

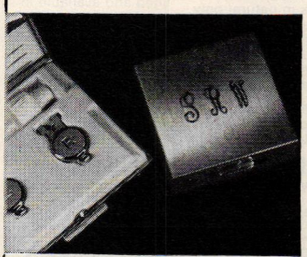

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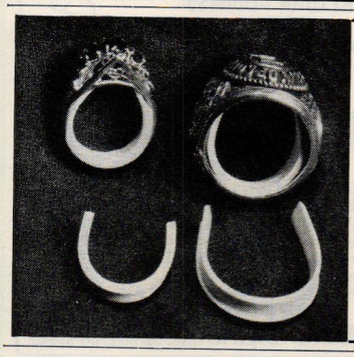

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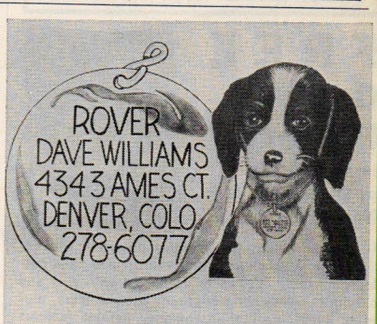

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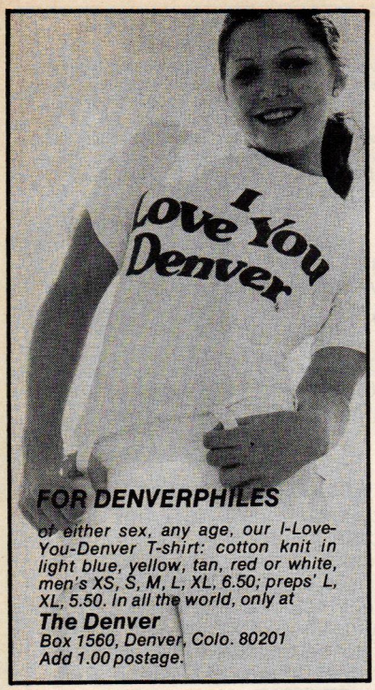

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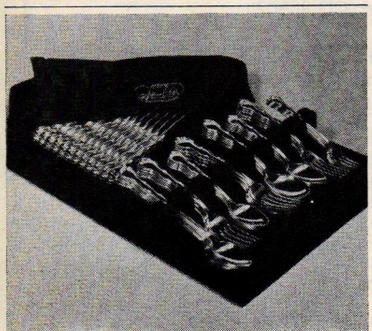

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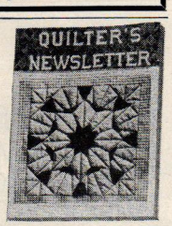

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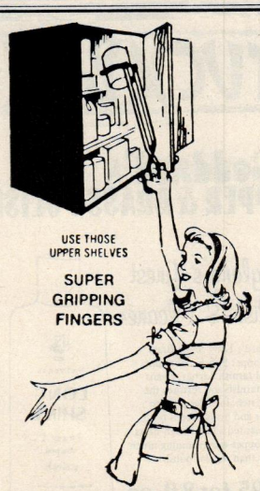

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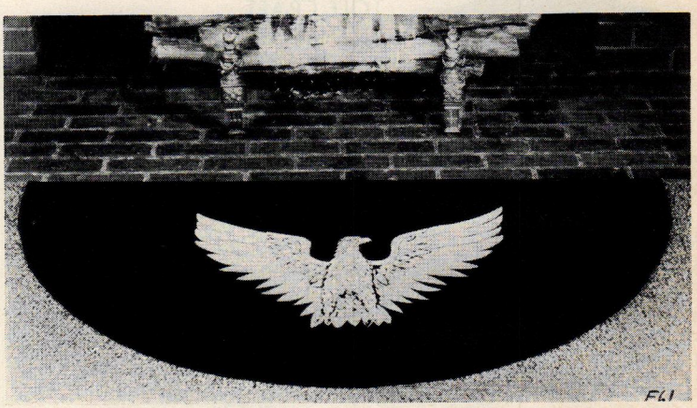

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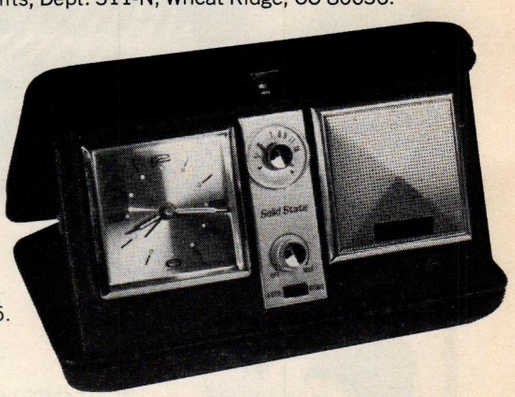

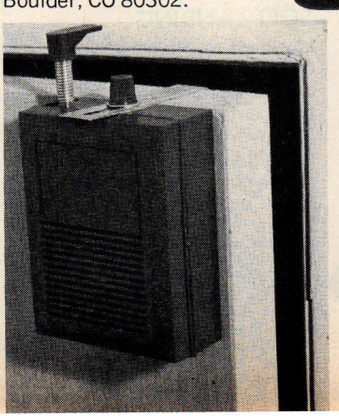

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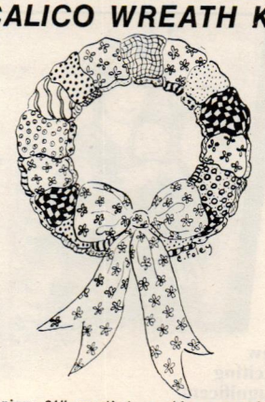

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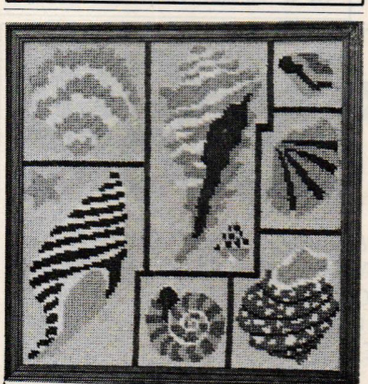

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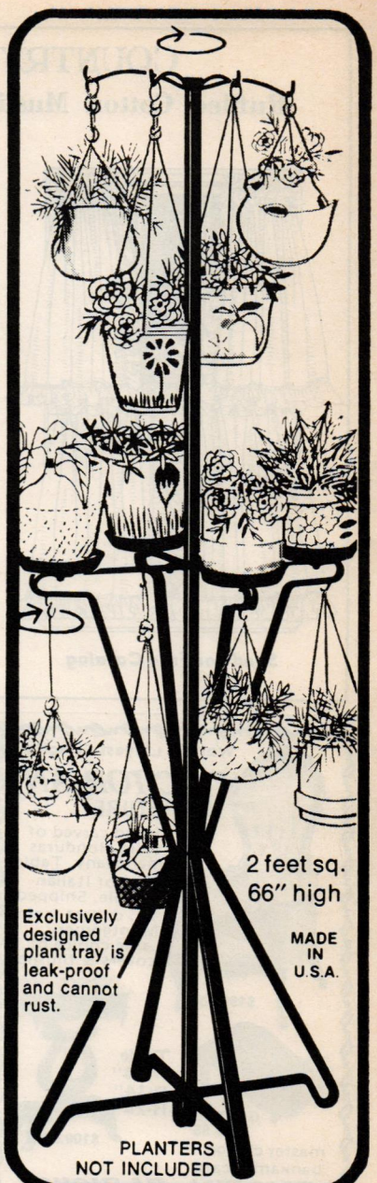

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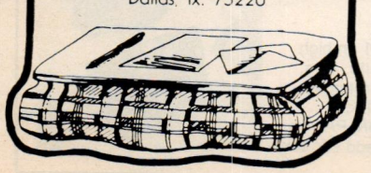

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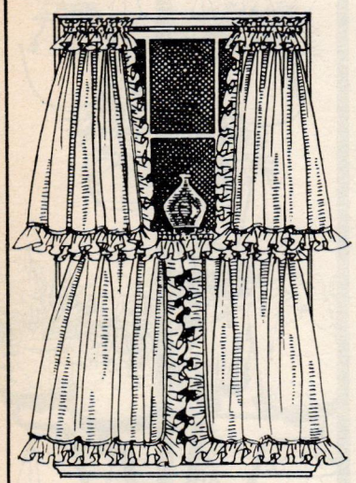

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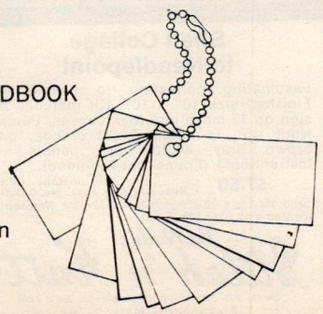

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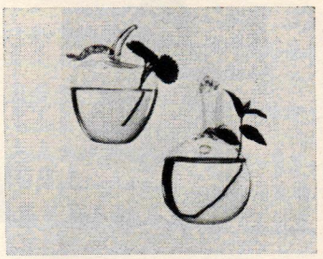

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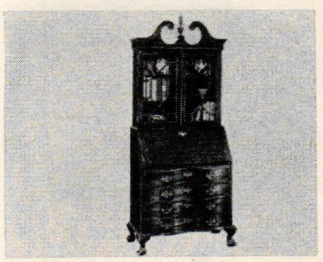

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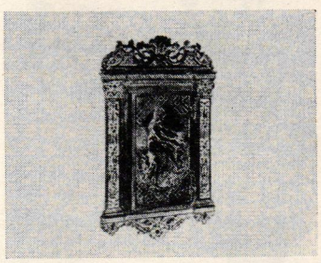

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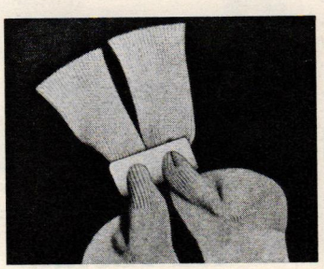

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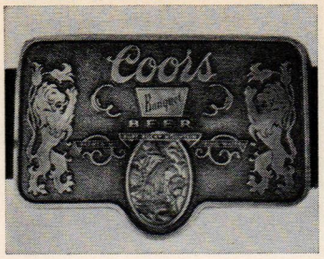

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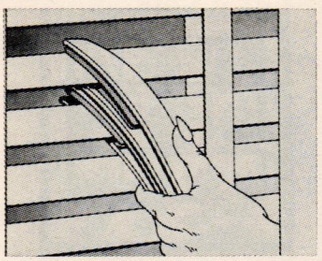

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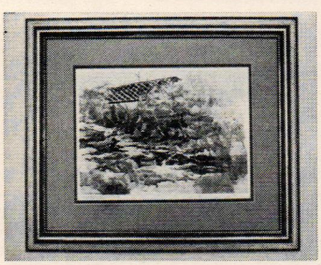

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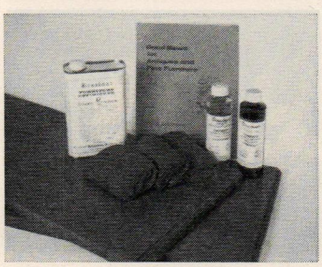

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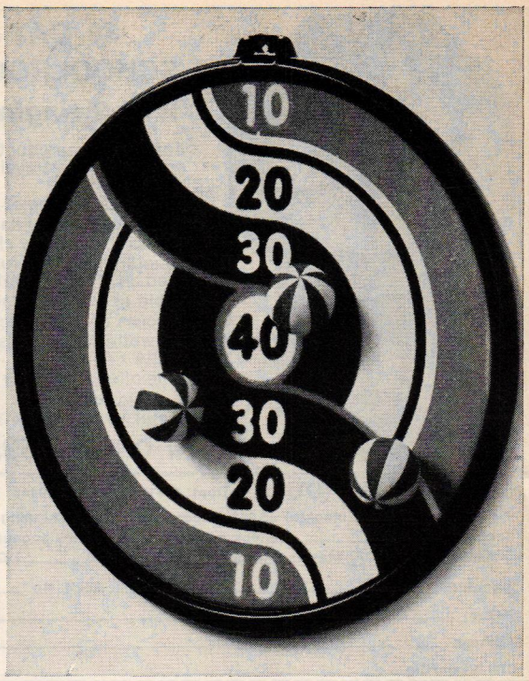

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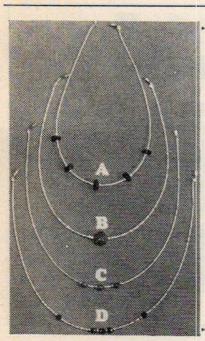

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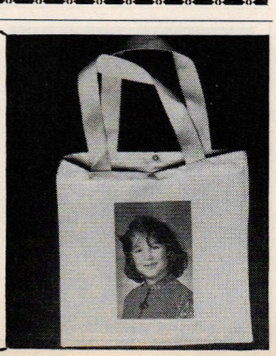

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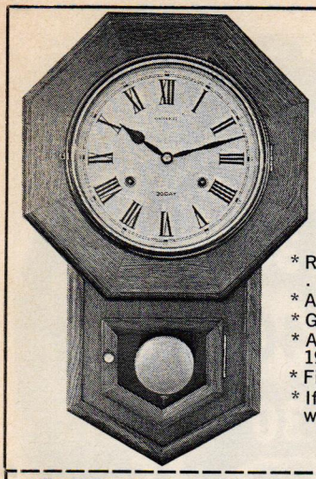

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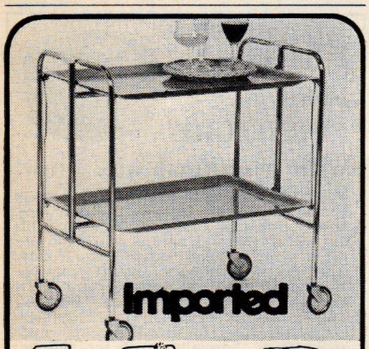

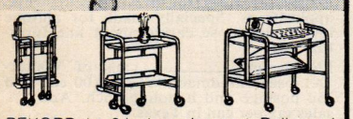

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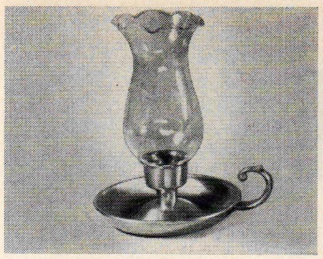

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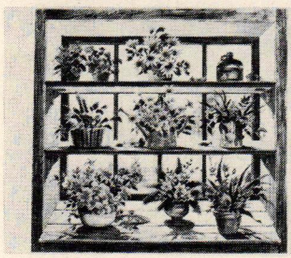

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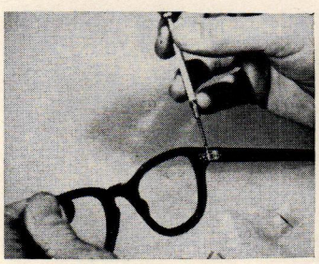

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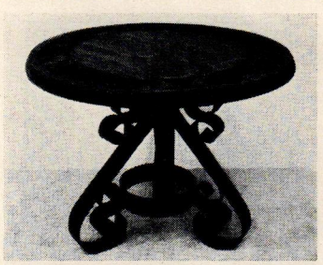

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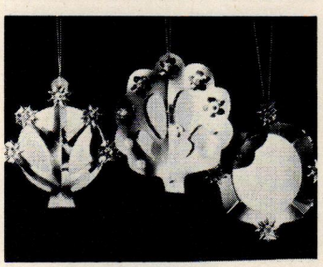

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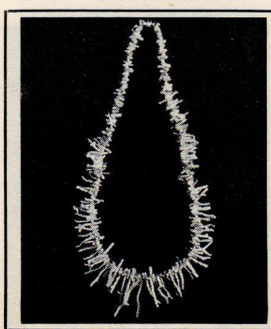

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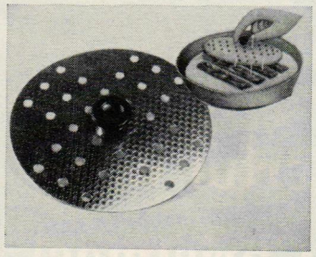

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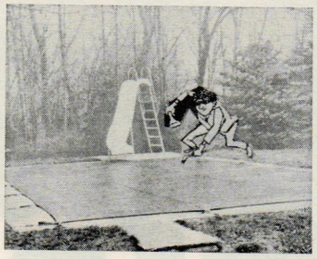

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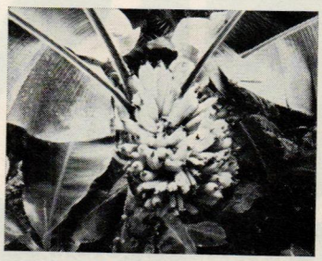

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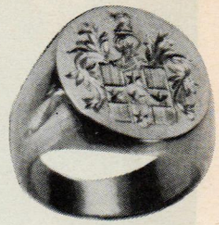

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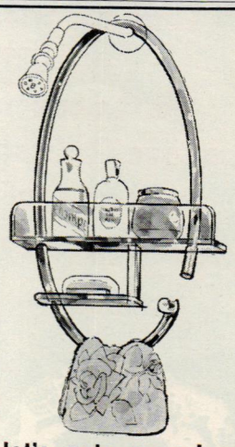

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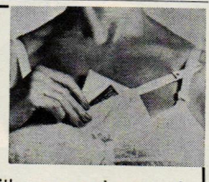

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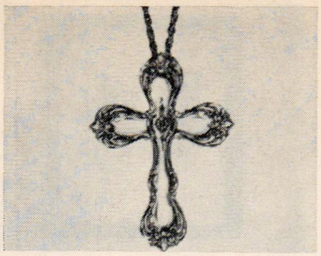

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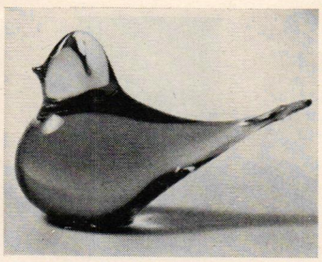

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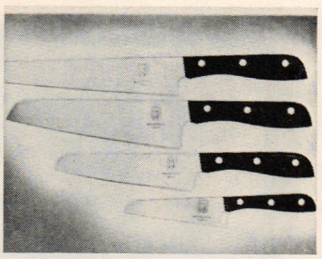

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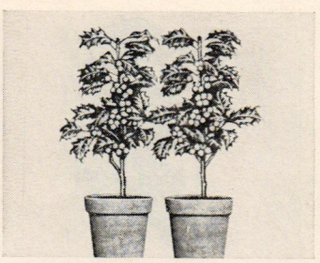

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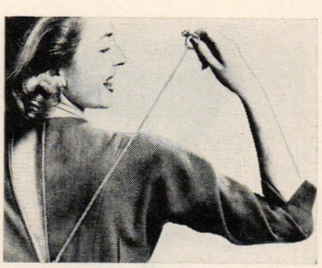

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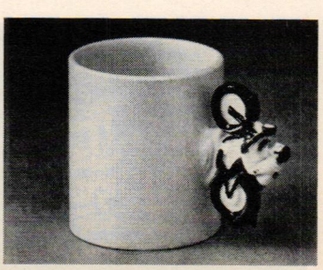

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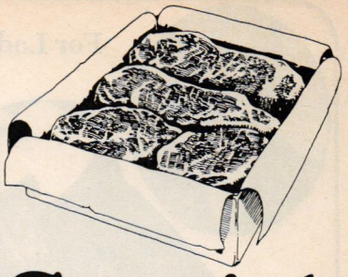

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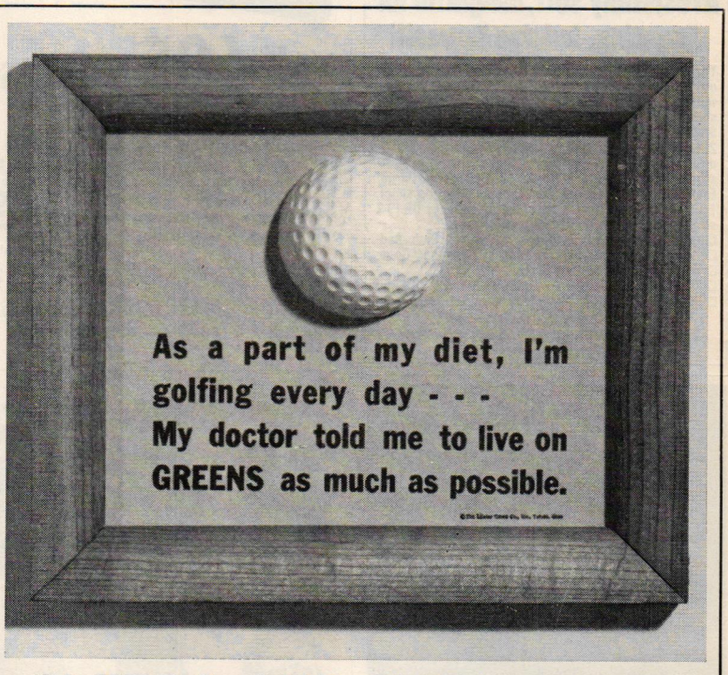

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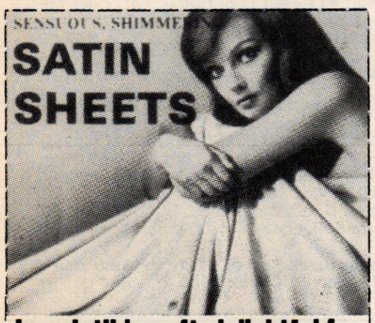

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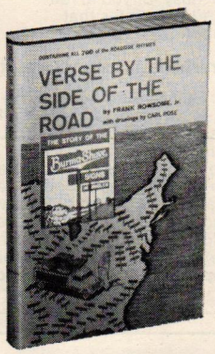

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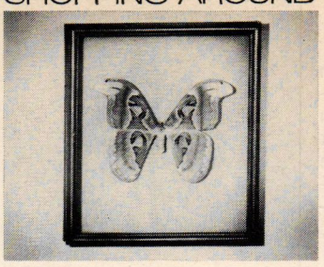

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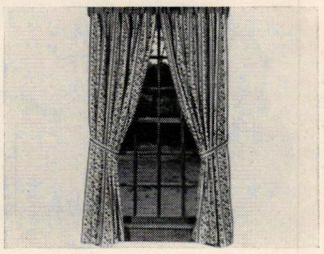

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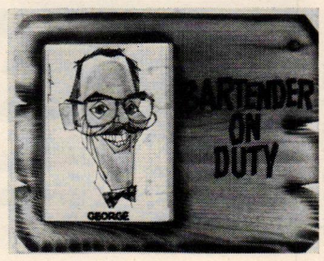

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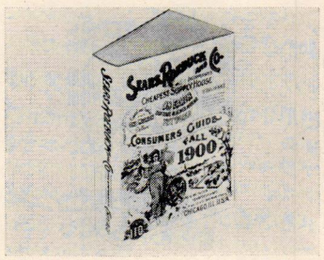

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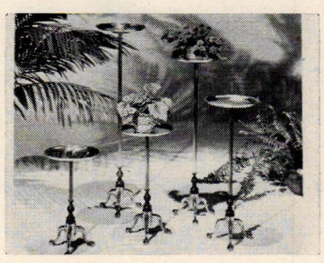

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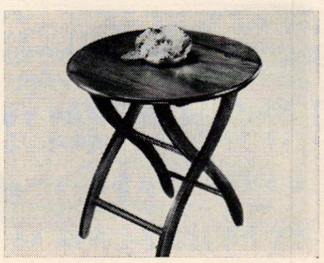

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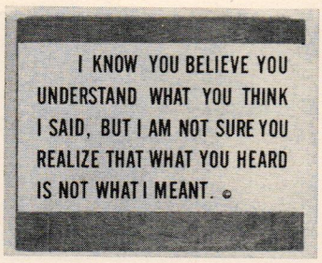

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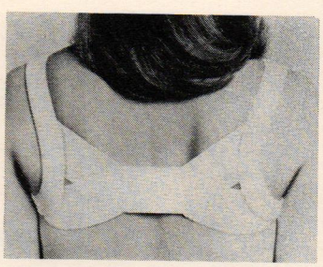

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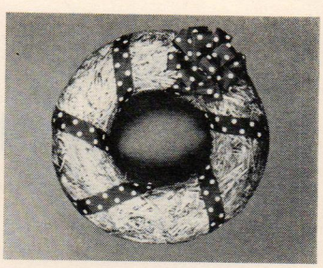

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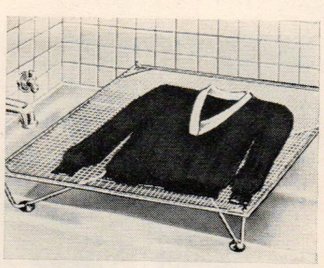

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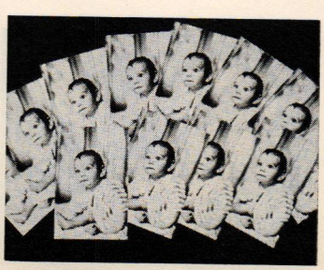

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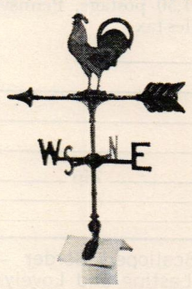

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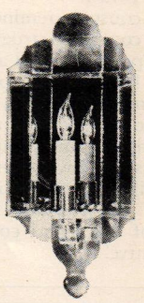

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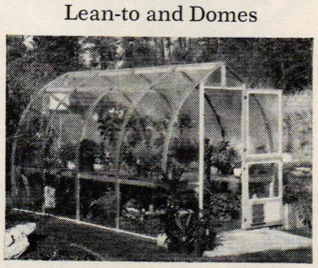

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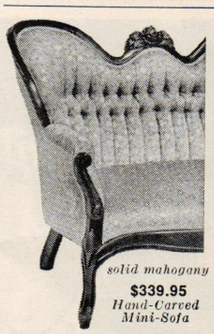

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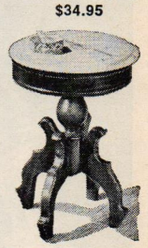

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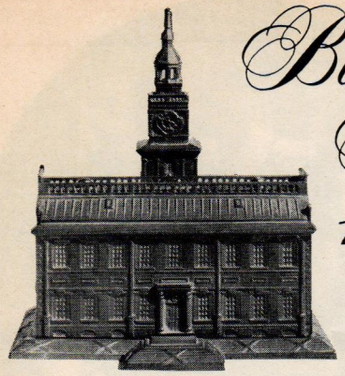

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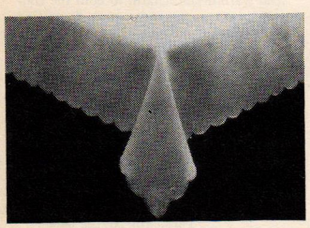

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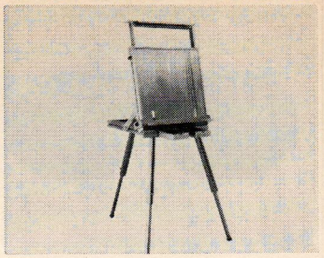

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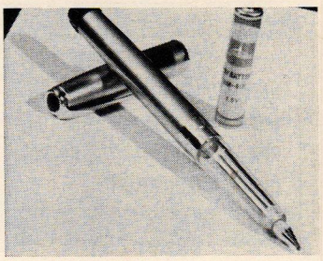

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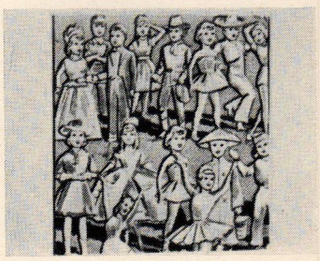

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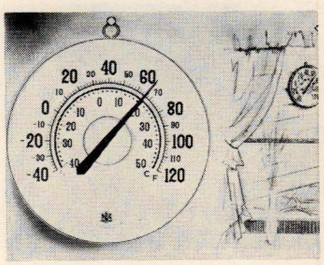

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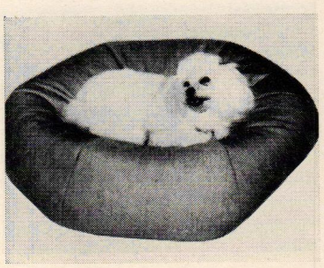

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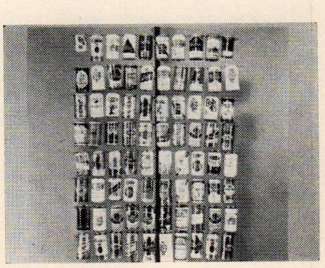

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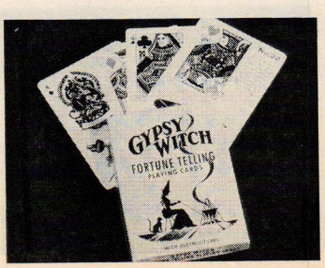

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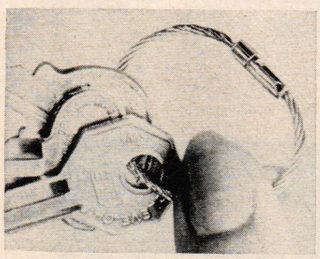

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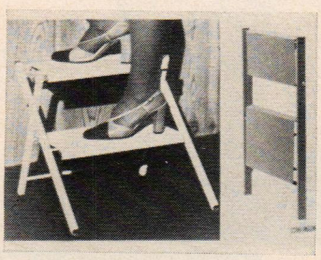

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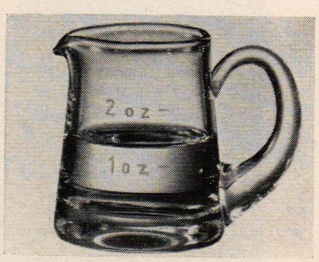

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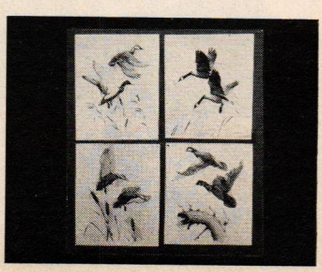

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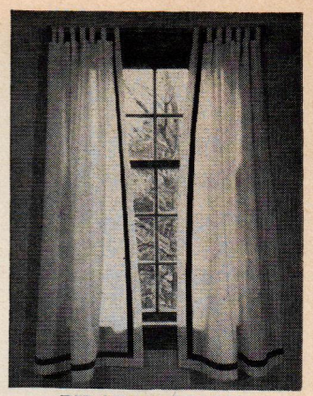

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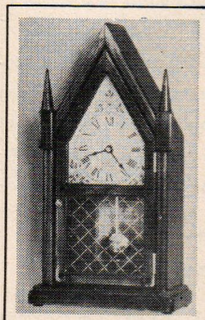

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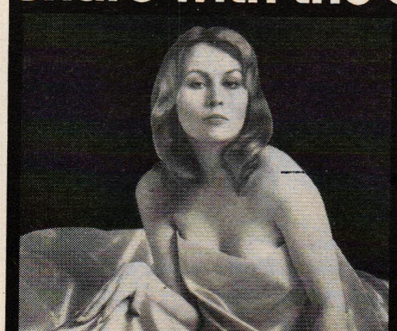

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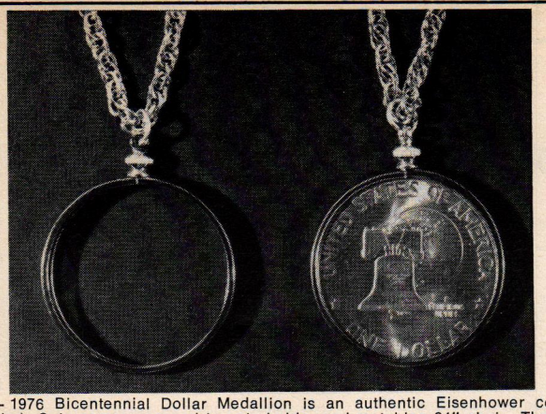

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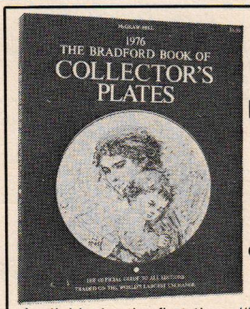

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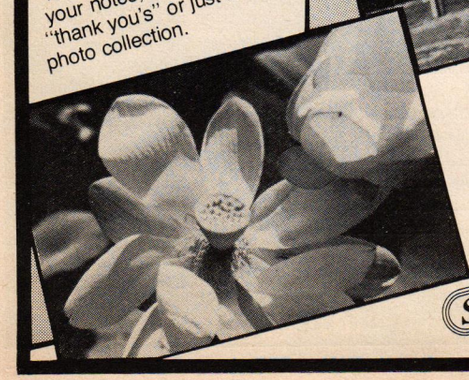

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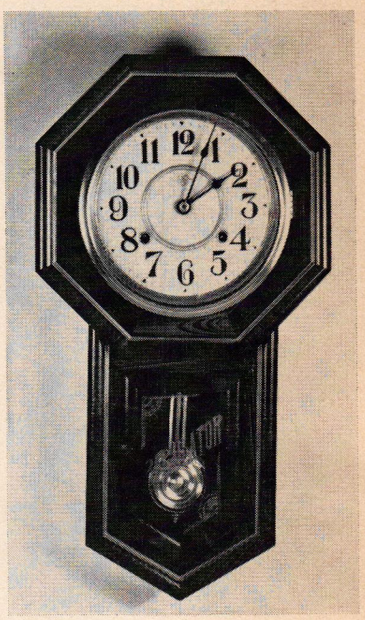

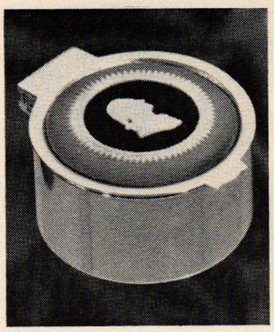

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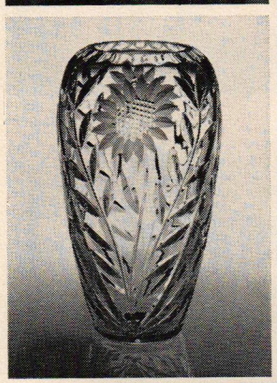

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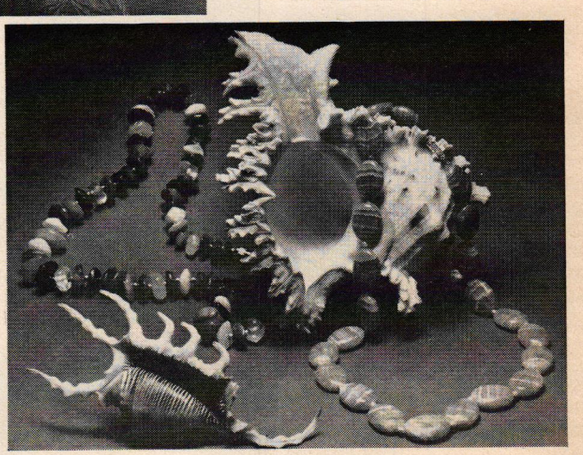

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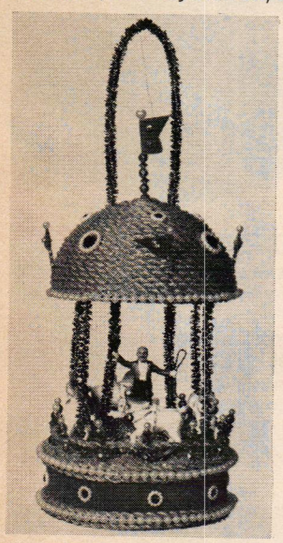

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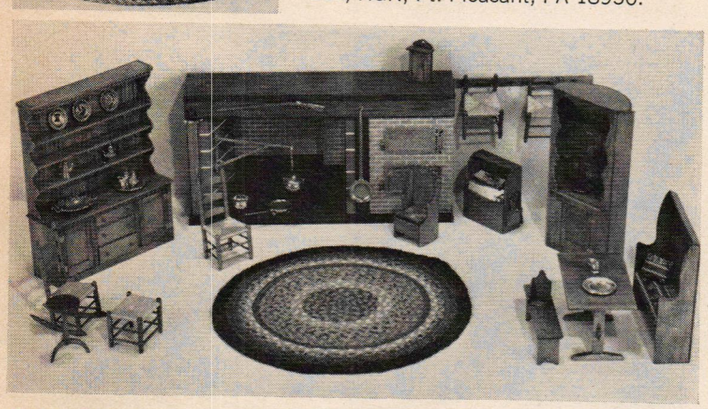

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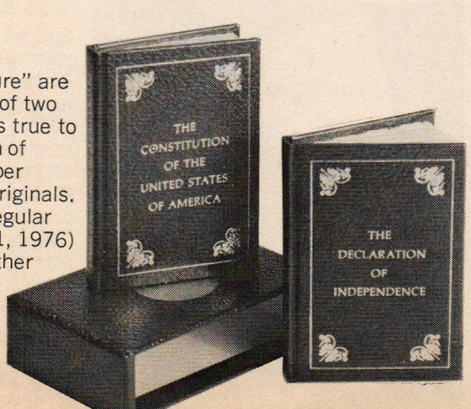

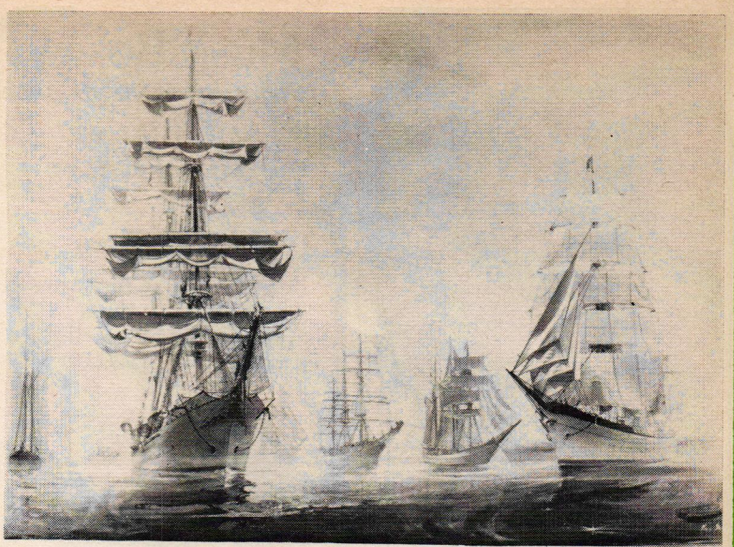

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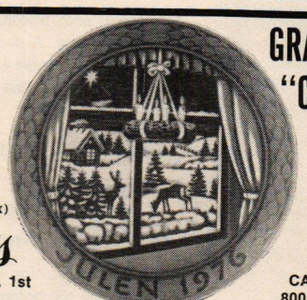

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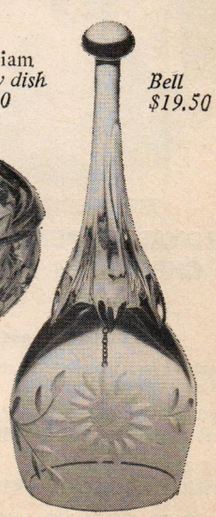

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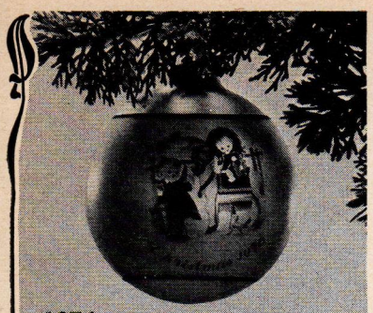

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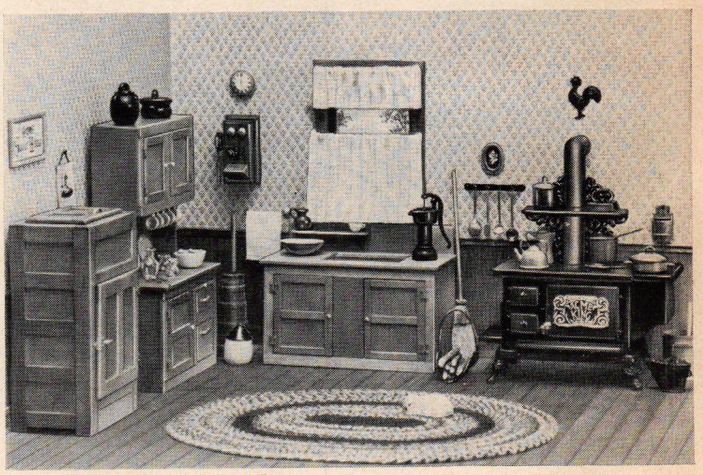

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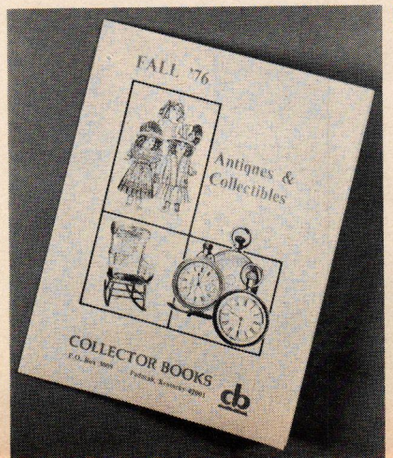

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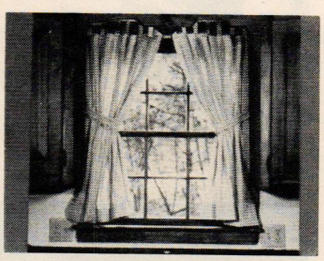

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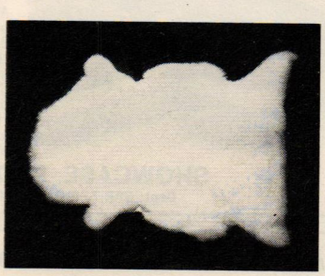

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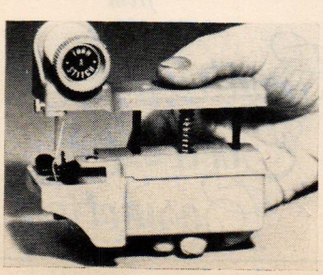

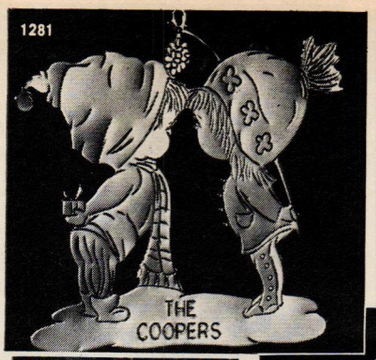

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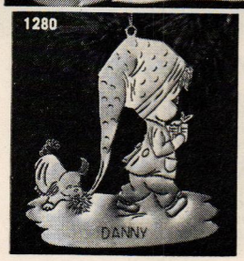

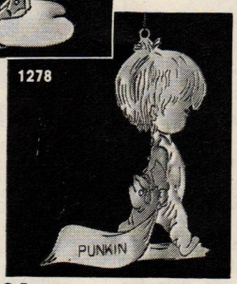

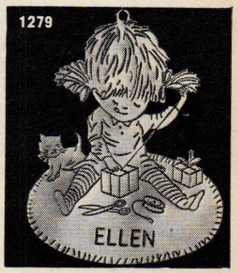

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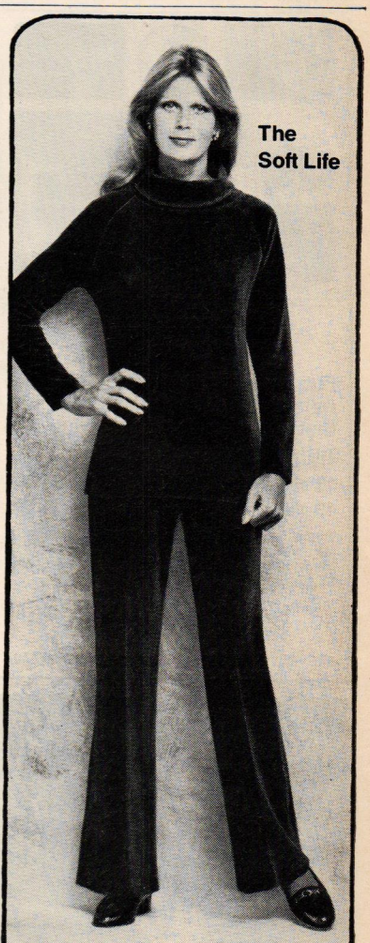

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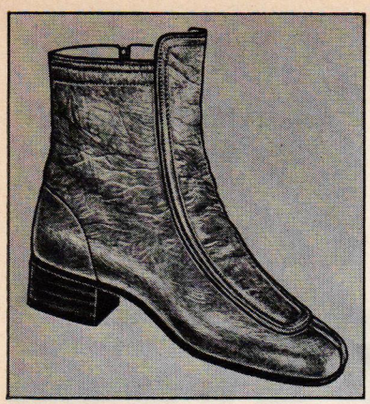

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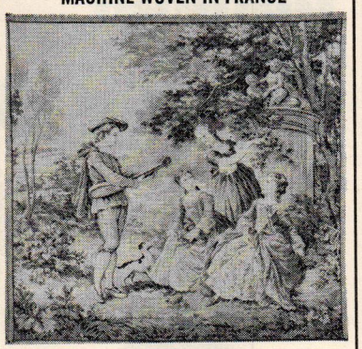

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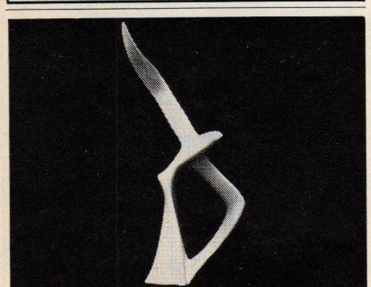

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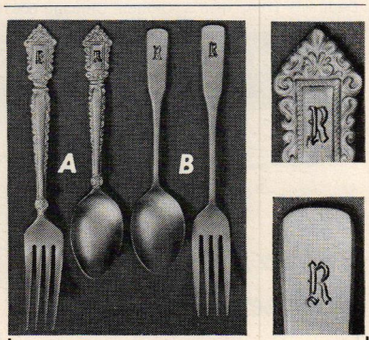

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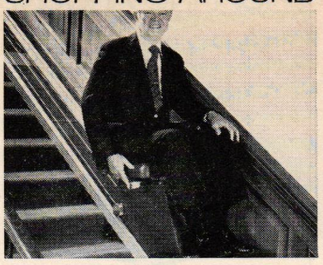

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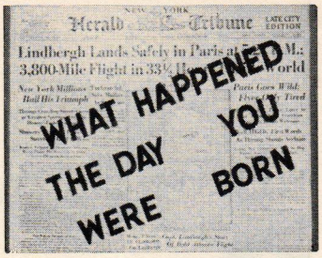

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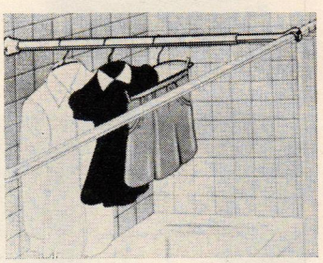

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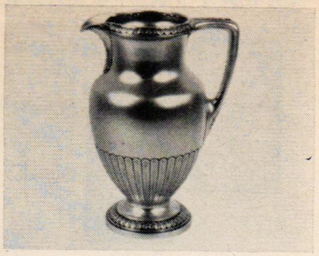

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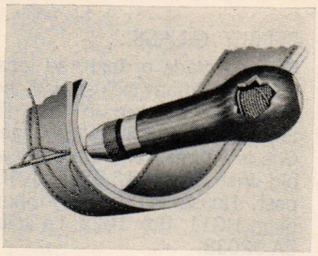

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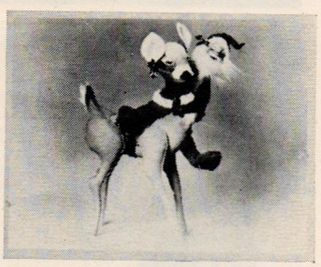

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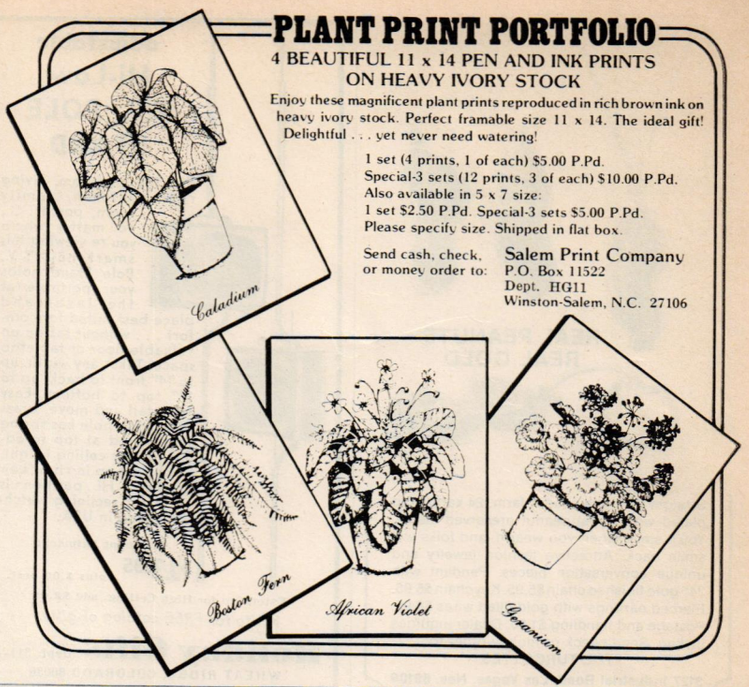

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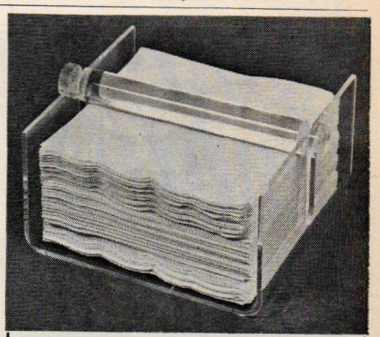

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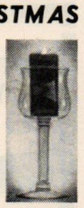

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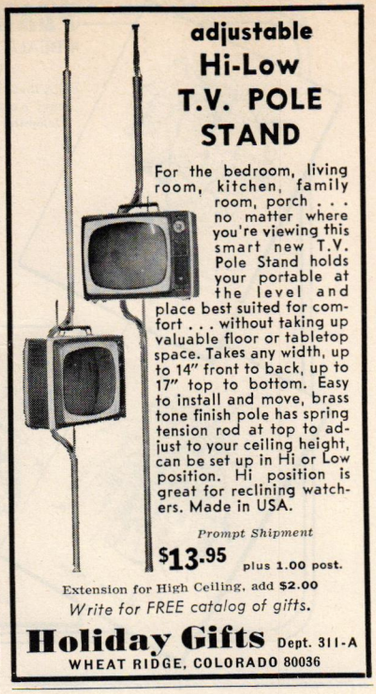

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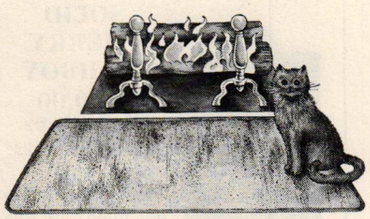

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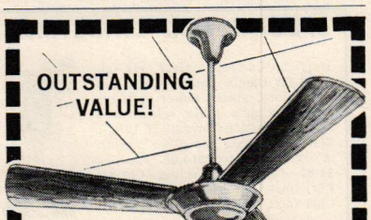

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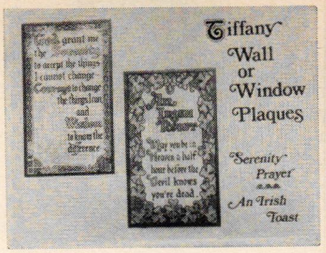

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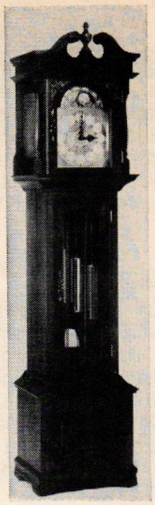

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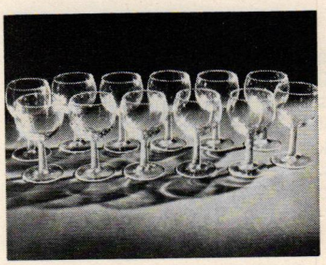

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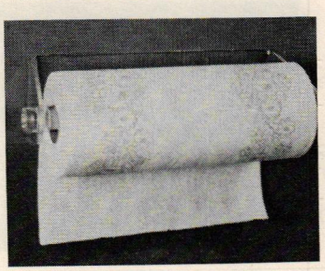

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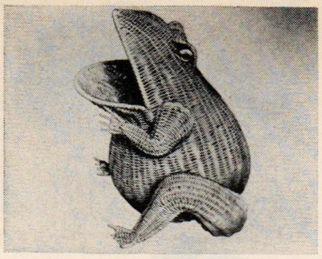

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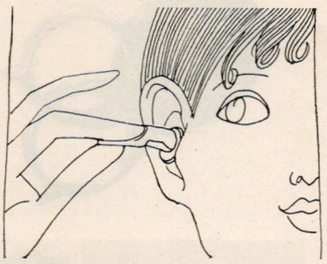

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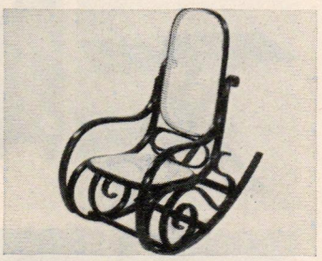

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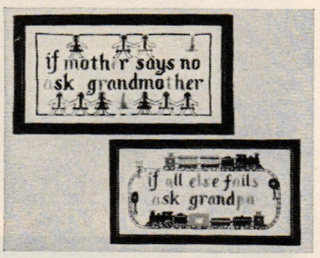

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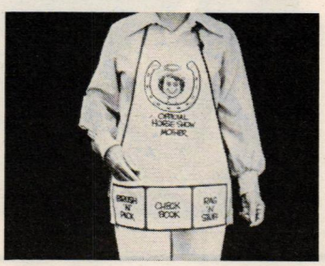

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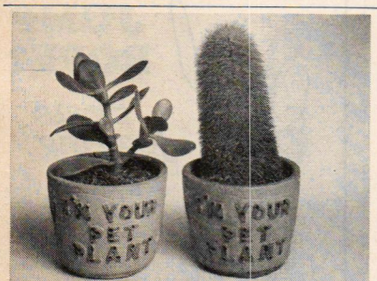

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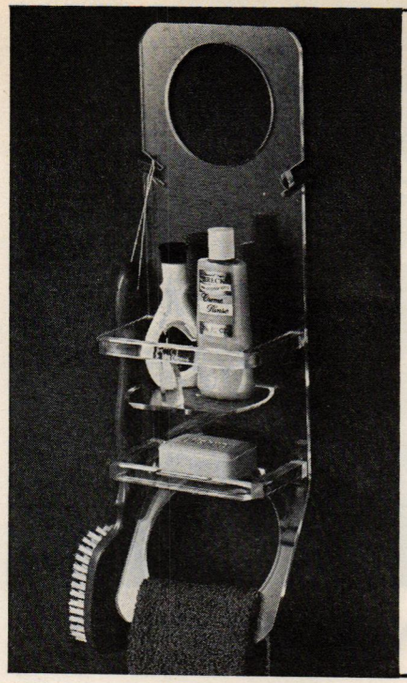

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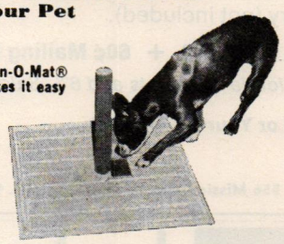

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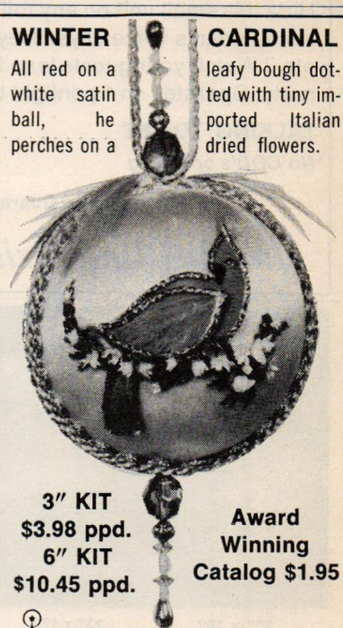

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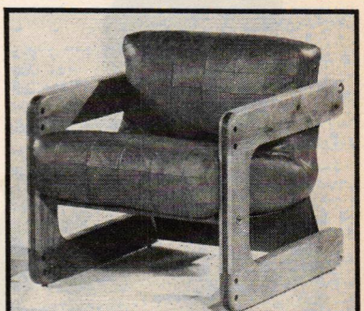

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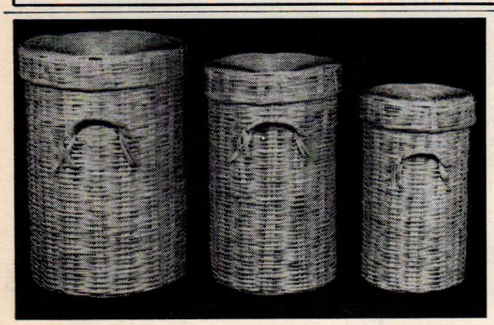

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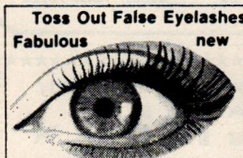

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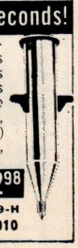

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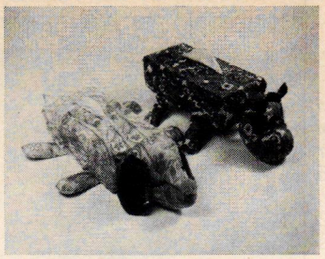

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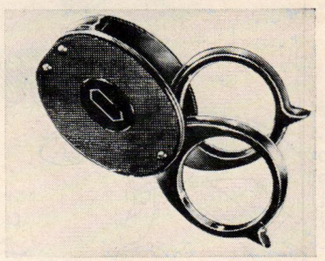

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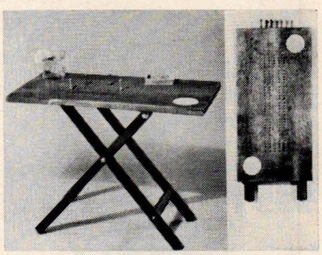

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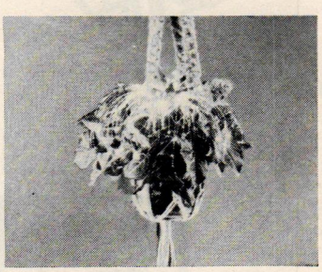

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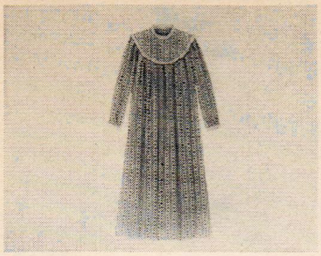

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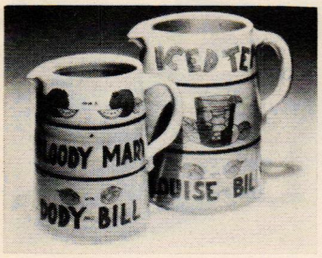

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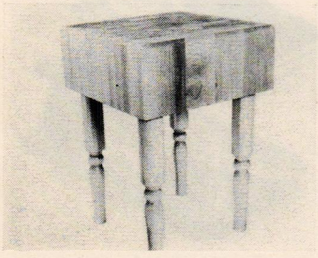

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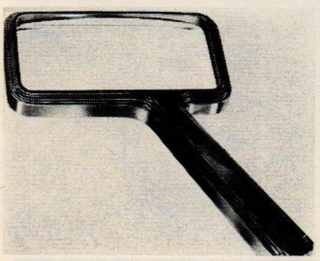

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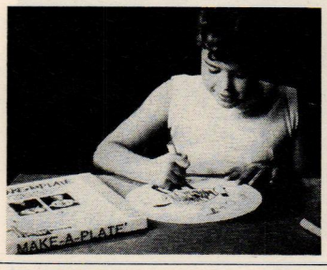

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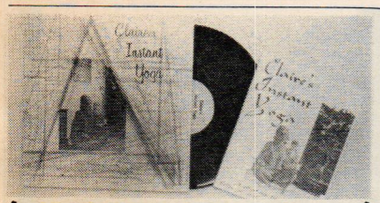

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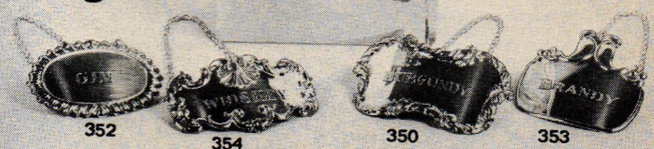

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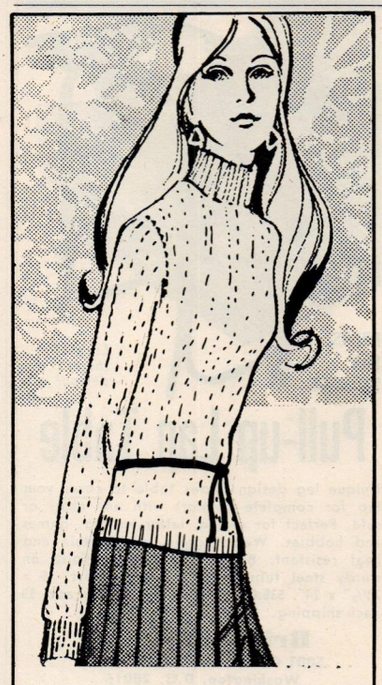

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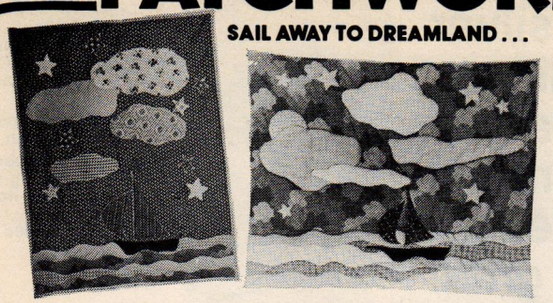

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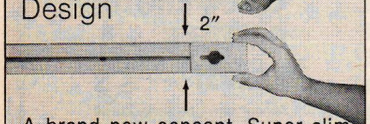

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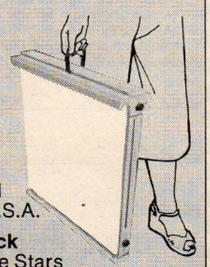

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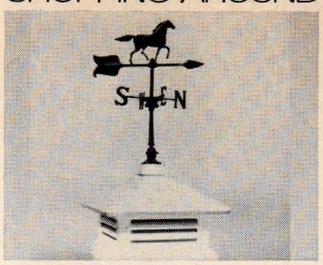

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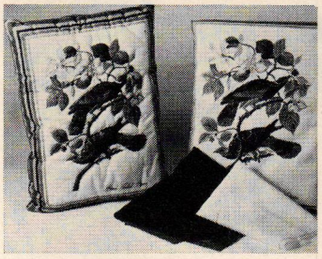

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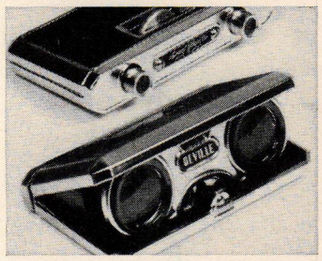

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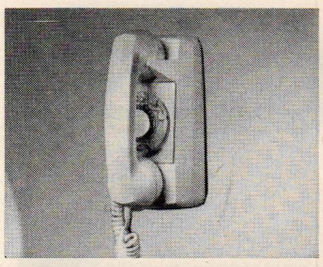

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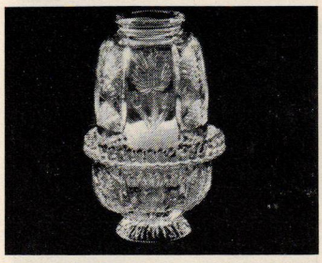

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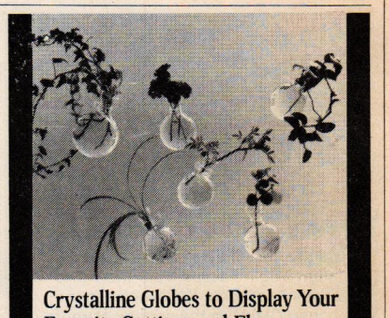

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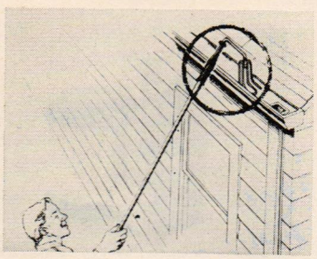

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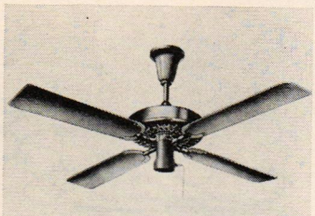

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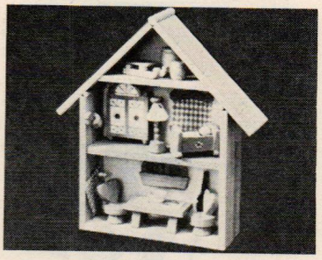

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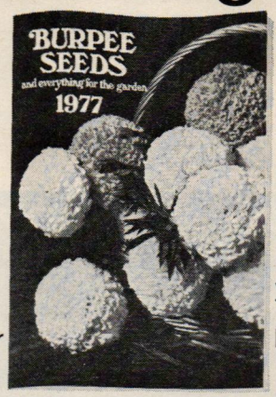

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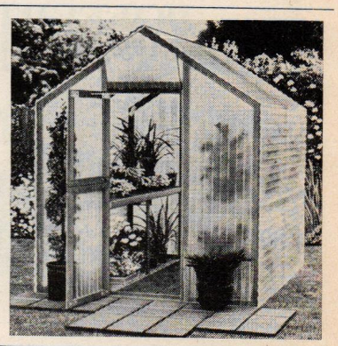

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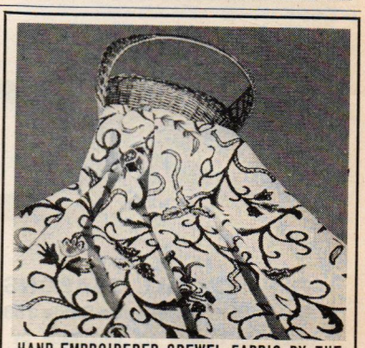

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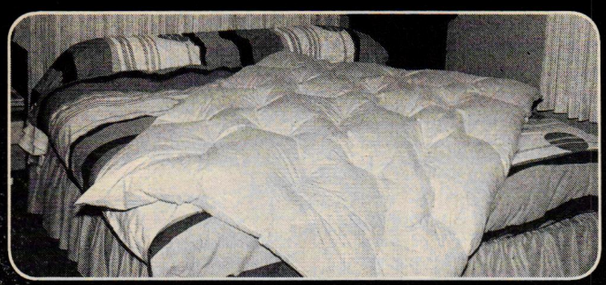

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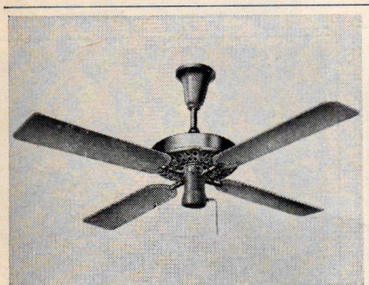

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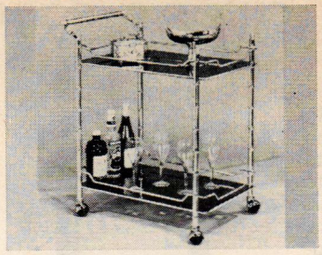

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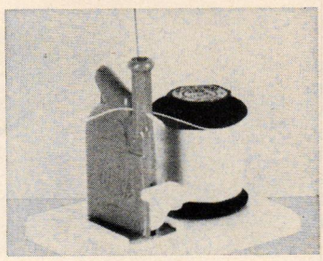

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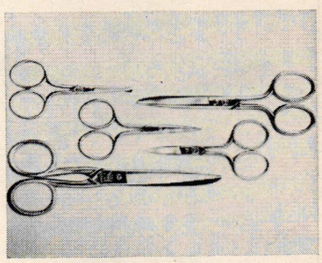

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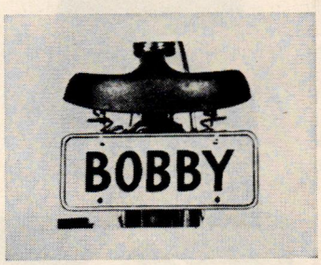

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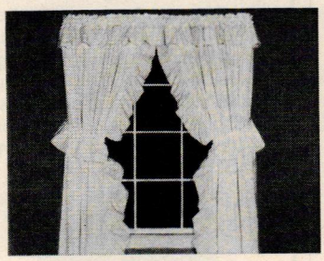

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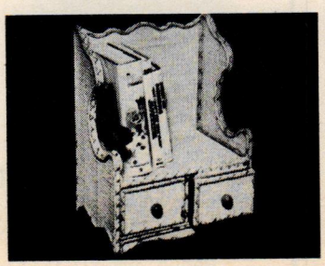

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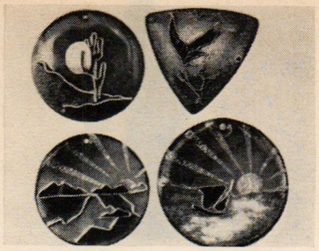

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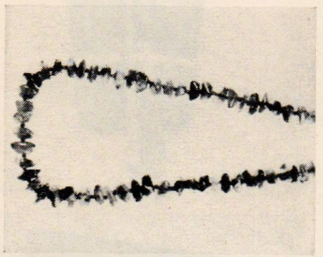

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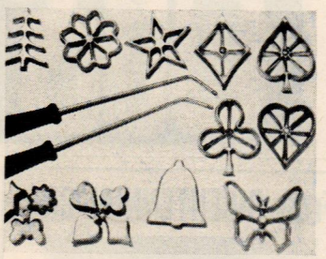

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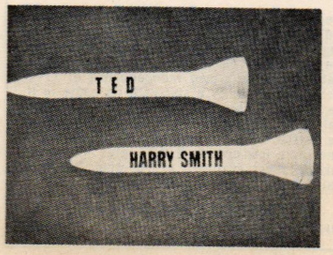

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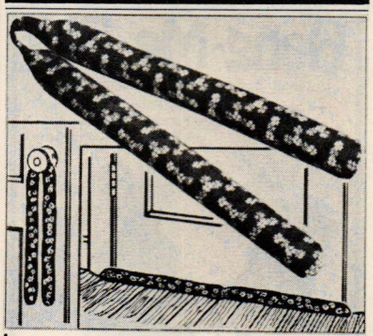

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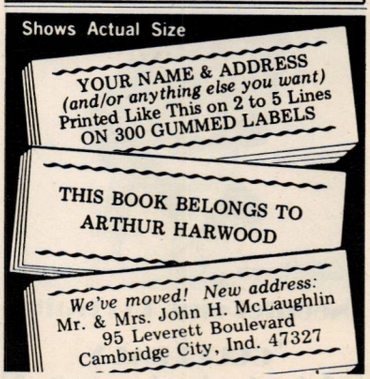

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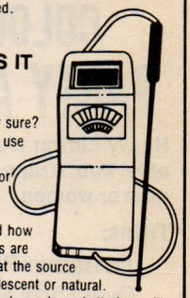

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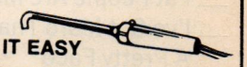

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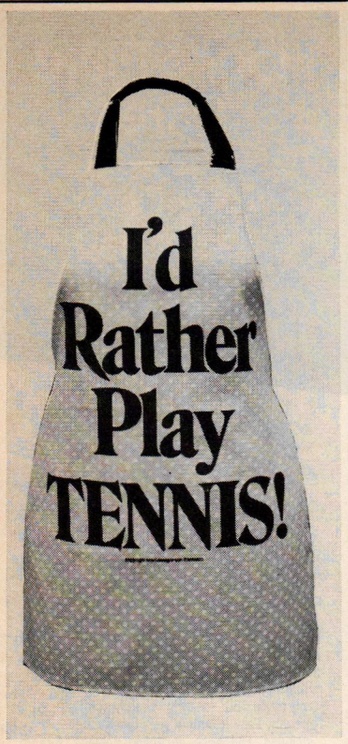

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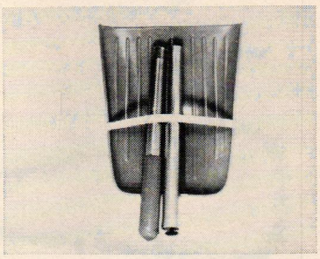

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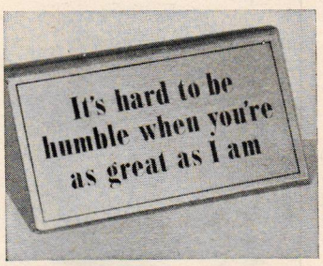

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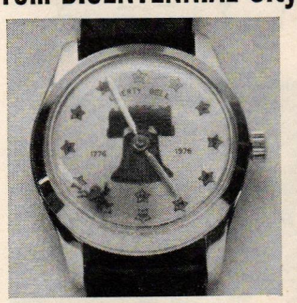

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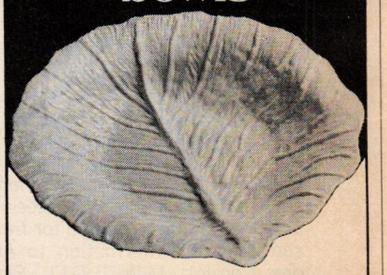

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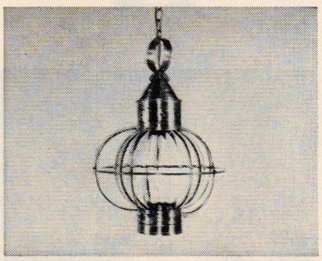

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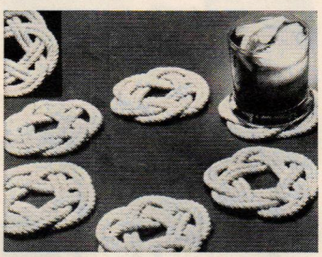

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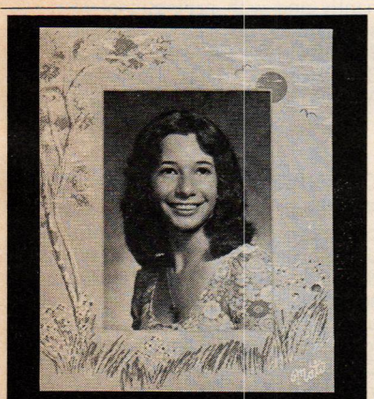

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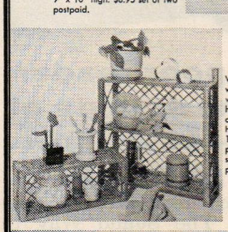

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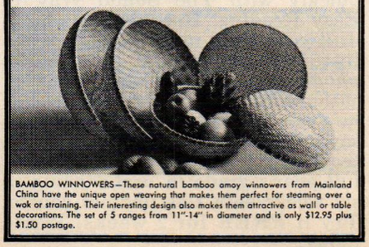

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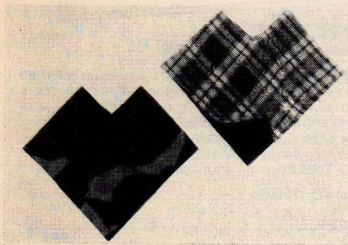

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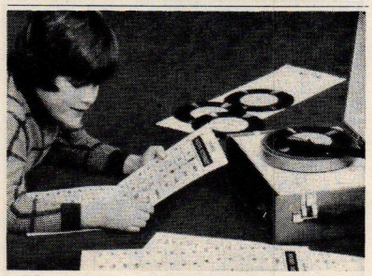

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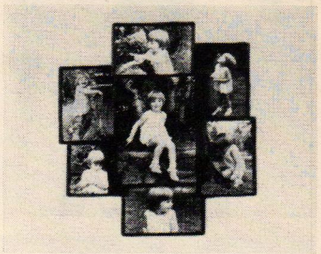

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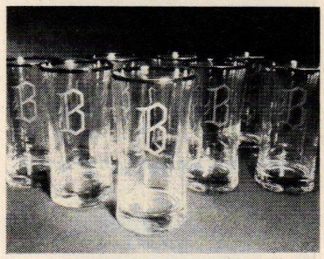

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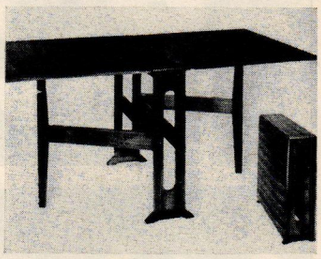

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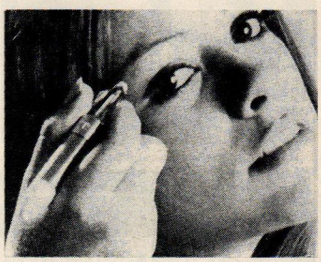

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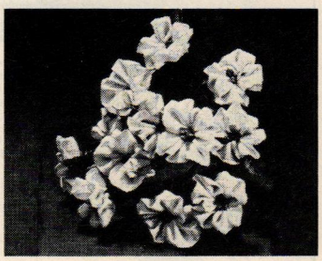

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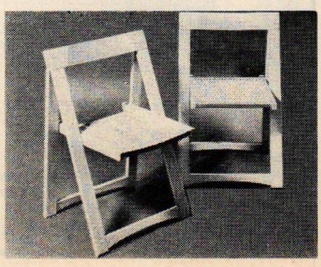

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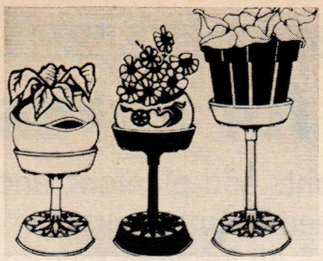

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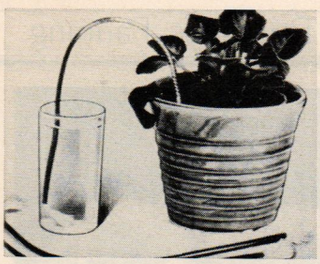

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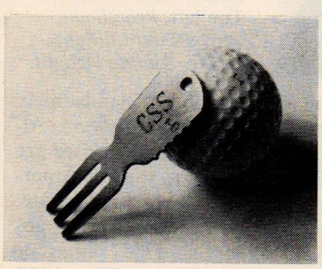

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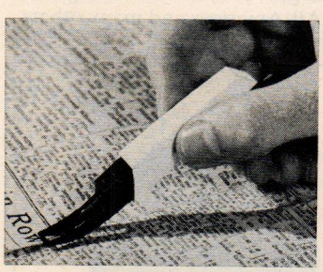

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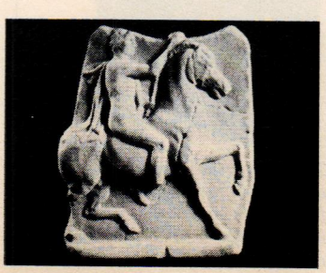

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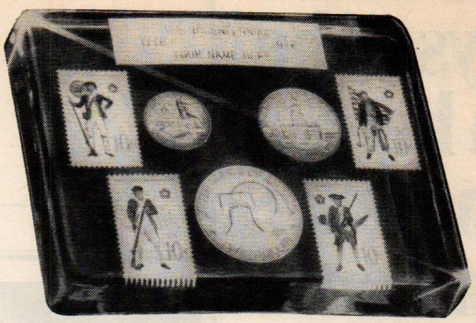

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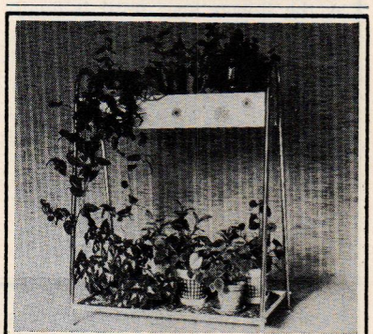

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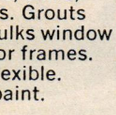

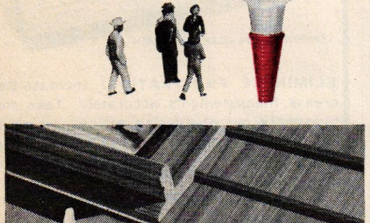

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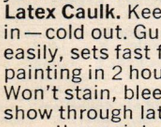

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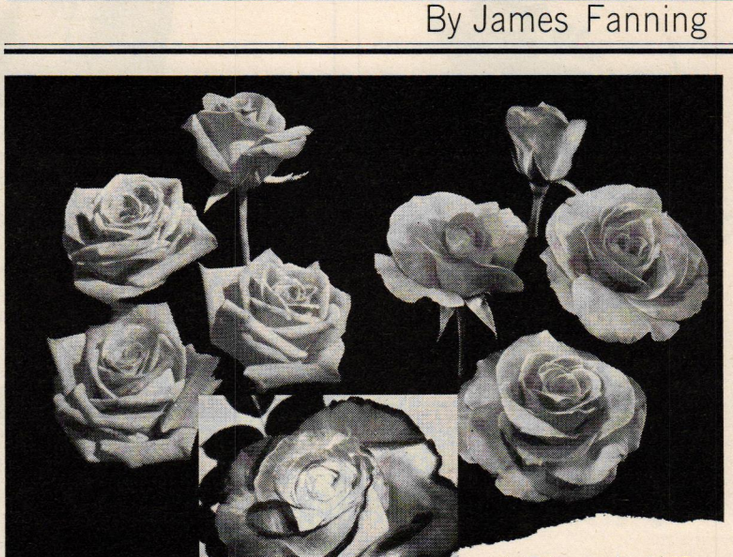

AARS roses for 1977: Top left, *Prominent;* above, *First Edition;* center, *Double Delight.*

Rosy future: The All-America winners

There are three All-America rose selections for 1977, all available for ordering now to plant next spring (or to send to a rose-lover as a late-arriving Christmas gift). Double Delight is a huge, strong-stemmed hybrid tea, with white petals edged in a red that spreads as the flower ages until it finally suffuses the whole blossom. First Edition is a low, spreading floribunda, with heavy clusters of coral-pink flowers. Prominent, a grandiflora, makes a tall bush with long-lasting, handsomely shaped, bright orange flowers. Although two of these new roses are of European origin, the All-America designation is appropriate, since all have been tested and approved under a wide range of American conditions. The 1977 selections, as well as those of earlier years, are available fom Jackson and Perkins, Medford, Ore. 97501, whose catalogue is free. And an old rose that deserves to be better known is Sea Foam, a hardy and disease-resistant shrub with arching canes and clusters of white flowers throughout the summer. Sea Foam is available through Star Roses, West Grove, Pa. 19390; the catalogue, free for the asking, lists the All-Americas and many others.

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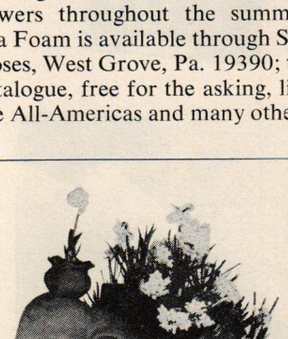

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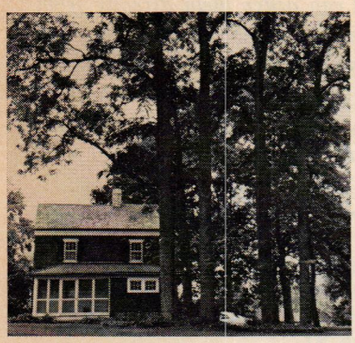
Noel notion

Just right for the heel-to-knee length of a Christmas stocking is *The Good-Humored Gardener* by Treeske Blase and Anneke Hohmann ($7.50, or $8 by mail, from The Yeoman Group, 320 East 42nd St., New York, N.Y. 10017). Each of the book's tall, slender pages is devoted to a single gardening subject. Line drawings emphasize the points covered with sprightly humor and sound garden sense. Leaving no petal unturned, the two young ladies consider such often-overlooked subjects as corsages, screens for skinny-sunning, and the relationship between house plants and architecture, light and humidity.

A case of graft

The third edition of *Plant Propagation,* by Hudson T. Hartman and Dale E. Kester (Prentice-Hall, $17.50), has recently come out. Technical enough to be used as a college text, the book also has plenty of down-to-earth information for everyday gardeners. It covers, in complete detail, propagation by seeds, cuttings, grafting and budding, layering, and division. Even the recently developed process of meristem propagation —which calls for elaborate laboratory equipment—is explained in detail. Topics are illustrated with photographs or line drawings.

Celebrating the walnut tree



A cluster of black walnuts is all the landscaping this house requires.

Black walnut is one of the most magnificent of American trees. Native to the northeast, *Juglans nigra* may grow 100 feet or more high, with a straight trunk and high-branched, spreading top. Its rugged bark and heavy-textured branches are picturesque at all times of the year, and the large, ferny leaves cast a fine summertime shade. The nuts, of course, are the black walnut's best-known product, but its wood is also unparalleled for cabinetmaking—so much in demand, as a matter of fact, that a considerable trade in pirated logs has grown up recently. A widely circulated slander has it that black walnuts poison the soil around them so that nothing else will grow there. Fact of the matter is that the roots contain a poisonous material called juglandin. This has an adverse effect on any of the tree's own seedlings that may try to grow near their parent, but other kinds of plants are no more affected than they would be by the spreading shade and hungry roots of any other large tree. Black walnuts need plenty of space and a deep, well-drained soil, but have few pests or diseases.

Mothers are likely to complain about the stained hands of children who try to shuck the nuts while they are still green and juicy. This problem is easily solved by letting the nuts dry until the staining effect is gone. Cracking the inner shell to get at the kernel may be something of a problem, too. Improved, easy-shelling varieties are available, though, so choose one of these. Several varieties, as well a other nut trees, may be had by mail order from Stark Brothers Nurseries. Its catalogue is free—write Stark Bros. Nurseries, Louisiana, Mo. 63353.

Hot spots in pots

House plants outdoors for the summer inevitably get rather spotty watering. A hot, dry spell, particularly, may mean that the soil in pots has baked dry while the gardener was otherwise occupied. When this happens, pockets of soil may remain dry even after a thorough watering—the water runs past the dry pocket without penetrating it. So, if water runs out of the bottom of a pot sooner than seems normal for the plant in question, it probably means that the soil is absorbing moisture unevenly. To remedy this situation, dunk the pot in a tub or bucket with enough water to come up to the rim and leave it there until air bubbles stop coming out of the soil. Don't be surprised if you have to add water to the bucket to keep the level up to the pot rim—a dried-out pot of soil can absorb a lot of water. Afterward, resume watering on a normal schedule.

How much rain?

It's hard to tell about rainfall. A whole string of rainy days may produce no more than a trace of moisture in the soil, doing no good at all to thirsty gardens. So the wise thing to do is measure the rain as it falls and be prepared to make up for any deficiency that may occur. Newest and most effective way of doing this is with the digital rain gauge shown on page 153, a useful gift for gardeners. Cleverly designed, this battery-powered gauge functions by means of a cup that empties itself whenever a tenth of an inch of rain has fallen, at the same time making an electrical contact to register on the indoor indicator. It can show cumulative precipitation all the way up to a thousand inches, or be reset after every shower. Price $49.95.

Keep on the grass

Lawn grasses do some of their most active growing in late summer, when cool nights and increasing moisture give the plants a chance to make up for time lost in July and August. The best way to bring grass to thriving health for the fall season is to apply fertilizer now. Since the past several months of mowing have removed so much of the grass plants' leaf growth, they need nitrogen more than anything else, so use a mixture relatively high in that element—10-5-5, for example. Of course, fertilizer should be spread when the grass is dry, then watered in. And don't forget the rule for mowing: No more than ⅓ of the growth should be cut off at any one time; so cut often when growth is rapid, as it will be after fertilizing.

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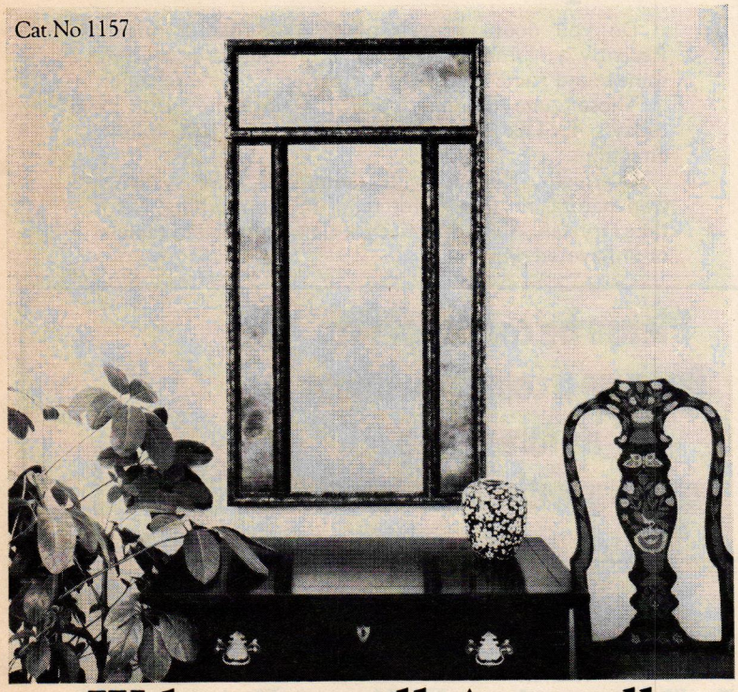

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